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SEVERAL WORK ON CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS JUST SATURDAY FOR PUBLIC UTILITY WORKERS.

MOST STORES TO CLOSE

A Few Groceries Open During Morning—To Be No Issue of the Democrat-Forum.

Saturday may be Christmas for most Maryville residents, but for some of them it will be just another day of work.

Persons connected with drug stores, restaurants, hotels, hospitals, taxi lines, railroads, police and fire departments, theaters and the telephone companies will be found going to work the same as any other Saturday. The only difference will be that there will undoubtedly be less to do, as the usual Saturday crowd will not be found in Maryville on Christmas.

The railroad men must be on the job, as there is travel Christmas the same as any other day and mail must be transported and the late Christmas presents delivered. The railroad man who will not work Saturday will be the one lucky enough to have a lay-off on his run.

People will want to make hurried calls Christmas, so the taxi drivers will be found on the job; police officers will be on the job, the same as they are the other 364 days of the year; there is always a chance for a fire so that the telephone operators and men at the fire department must be on duty.

Telephone Shifts Divided.

All in all, those connected with public service concerns usually find Christmas no different than any other day. However, the Hanamo Telephone Company has arranged for shifts of a half day each for the sixteen local and long distance operators. It is not so dreary a day for the cheerful "Hello Girls", as they generally plan for a "Christmas treat" among themselves and in the past they have been recipients of candy and flowers from many patrons.

The Peoples' Telephone Union also has made arrangements to let the operators off for part of Christmas day.

All the stores will be closed Christmas except that some of the groceries may be open a few hours during the morning to care for the wants of those who have "neglected something" for Christmas.

The Maryville postoffice will be open until noon Christmas.

There will be no issue of the Daily Democrat-Forum and Tribune on Christmas Day.

The local Western Union Telegraph Company will be open most of Christmas morning, or long enough to take care of the business in good shape. After the uptown office is closed telegraph business will be taken care of at the Wabash passenger depot.

The majority of the filling stations will be open Christmas. The Standard and Marland stations, however, announced today that they would not be open for business.

Public officials, who hold offices in the city hall and courthouse, will enjoy a day off on Christmas as none of the offices in either building will be open.

Although the electric light plant office will be closed the engines must be manned to furnish "juice" and some employes will be found at work at the pumping stations, east of the city, to keep water at a certain level in the city tank and to be on the job in case of a fire.

The American Express Company will make deliveries for a short time during the morning.

Santa Claus to Visit County Farm Patients

Judge Bailey of County Court Says Special Treat Will Be Given On Christmas.

Santa Claus will not forget the patients at the county infirmary, Judge E. T. Bailey, presiding judge of the county court, said this morning. Judge Bailey said he had left arrangements for a treat for the folks at the county farm up to George Brown, superintendent of the farm, and Fred Wright, assistant county clerk.

A Christmas dinner with the "trimmings" probably will be one of the extras for the twenty-six persons who make their home with the county, besides plenty of candy, nuts, oranges, and other fruits.

Postoffice Schedule for Christmas Made

One Complete City Delivery Promised. —Window Service For Both City And Rural Patrons.

The schedule for Christmas day at the postoffice here was announced today by J. F. Hull, postmaster. It is as follows:

Window service from 8 a. m., to 12 noon.

One complete city delivery.

No rural delivery service, but rural patrons can get their mail by calling at the postoffice during the opening of the windows.

Mail will be thrown to the boxes at the office.

All special deliveries will be delivered that morning. Every effort will be made to get out all the packages before noon on Christmas.

SNOW FENCES PLANNED HERE

TO AID IN KEEPING MAIN HIGHWAYS OPEN THIS WINTER.

ARE FURNISHED FREE

H. M. Miller, St. Joseph Division of Highway Commission, Here Studying Conditions.

Plans to combat the snowdrift menace on state highways this winter are being studied by highway officials for state roads in Nodaway County, according to H. M. Miller, of the St. Joseph division office of the Missouri Commission. The state will furnish the St. Joseph division with 50,000 feet of fence this year.

Fences are to be furnished at the expense of the highway commission at points where highway department engineers believe snow might pile up on hard surfaced and graded roads of the state system and tie up traffic after the anticipated storms the coming winter months.

However, it was stated by Mr. Miller, that to get the fences will require the co-operation of the farmers living along the highways. Mr. Miller, who was in Maryville today, was here to study the possible points in Nodaway County on the state highway system that may prove to be places susceptible to snow drifting.

The fences to be furnished by the state highway commission are four and a half feet high. They will be placed back in the fields about 100 feet from the fence line abutting the highway.

Points already decided for the placement of snow fences were mentioned by Mr. Miller.

He was of the opinion that a fence would be erected on the north side of the road on Highway Number 18, between Maryville and Burlington Junction. From the junction of Numbers 18 and 27, north of Maryville on the Pickering road a snow fence will undoubtedly be erected along Number 27 where snow might clog up the highway.

Also on the main highway to St. Joseph the road running east toward Barnard will be provided with snow fences on the north side of the road.

Mr. Miller gave the impression that as soon as these points are definitely selected and the farmers have proffered their services in aiding the state highway department to erect the fences they will be shipped to towns in Nodaway County. Erection will follow immediately upon the receipt of the snow fences.

Mrs. Geo. W. Snapp Dies in Oklahoma

Former Maryville Woman to Be Buried There Tomorrow.—Husband in Business Here Several Years.

N. Sisson received a message this morning announcing the death last night of Mrs. George W. Snapp of Oklahoma City, Okla., a former resident of Maryville. The funeral and burial will take place tomorrow afternoon at Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Snapp was a sister of the late Tom Hughes and Mrs. N. Sisson of Maryville. She is survived by her husband, who was associated with Mr. Hughes in the clothing business in Maryville for a number of years, three daughters and a son, Arthur Snapp. The family moved from Maryville to Hydro, Okla., many years ago. One of the surviving daughters is Miss Cora Snapp. The other two are married.

C. B. DuBois, Grant City attorney, was here on business today.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES

PRESBYTERIANS WILL HAVE CANTATA.

PROGRAM AT FIRST M.E.

Methodist Church South to Present "Keeping Christ in Christmas," a Pageant.

Maryville churches are planning pageants and programs for the Christmas observance. The M. E. Church, South, will give a pageant, Thursday night. The beginner, primary, junior and intermediate departments of the Sunday School of the First Methodist Church also will give a program Thursday night.

The Presbyterians have chosen Friday night to present a contata, "A Joke on Santa Claus."

M. E. South.

"Keeping Christ in Christmas," is the name of the pageant which will be presented at the M. E Church, South, at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night.

The characters are chosen from all departments of the Sunday School. The groups taking part are: Spirit of Christmas and her four attendants, tree bearers, bell ringers, candles, evergreens, carol singers and stars.

The pageant is directed under the supervision of Miss Anna Mae Holt, children's superintendent. Mrs. E. T. Dale, Merea Williams and Paschal Monk.

Following the pageant white gifts will be presented.

Methodist Program.

The beginner, primary, junior and intermediate departments of the Sunday School of the First Methodist Church will give a program at the church at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night. An old fashioned treat will be one feature of the meeting and a Christmas tree with gifts for the children will be a second special feature.

The program which will be presented follows:

Two numbers by Brumbaugh's orchestra.

Piano solo, Virginia Bennett.

Reading, Floy Hall.

Piano solo, Genevieve Miller.

Number by intermediate orchestra.

Recitation, Garnett Cushman.

Reading, Charlotte Withington.

Recitation, Carolyn Curnutt.

Duet, John Lewis and Mary Louise Hartness.

Recitation, Phyllis Jean Price.

Song, Betty Lee Blagg

Song, Sarah Caldwell.

Recitation, Eugene Wray.

Song by primary class.

Reading, Anna Belle Withington.

Song, Marjorie Curnutt.

Piano solo, Berneta McKee.

Recitation, Sarah May Taylor.

Duet, Ruth and Lucy Lee Brumbaugh

Piano solo, Doris Wray.

Song, Miss Leamer's class.

Solo, Sarah Katherine Thorp.

Piano solo, Helen Gaugh.

Reading, Edna Belle Welborn.

"There's a Song in the Air," congregation.

Presbyterian Church.

A cantata, "A Joke On Santa Claus," will be given at the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 o'clock Friday night.

Those taking part are:

Mother, Beverly Martin.

Anna, Mildred Fryer.

Jack, Harold Davis.

Bess, Hazel Stephenson.

Peggy, Bessie Stephenson.

Sandman, Mary Elise Case.

Christmas Spirit, Mildred Fryer.

Holly and Mistletoe Fairies: Elizabeth DeMoss, Maxine Rush, Martha Sue Zimmerman, Dorothy Rush, Mildred French, Marian Davis, Lois Hull, Margaret Davis, Elizabeth Alkire, Veva Heltzel, Mary Elizabeth Scott, Elaine Wyman.

Frost Sprites are: Henry Zimmerman, William Francisco, Harold Davis, Allan Rogers, Herman Heltzel, Jimmie Wells, Billie Case.

Santa Claus: G. E. Alkire.

Before the presentation of the cantata the primary, junior and beginner departments will give a short program which will include:

Song, "Glad, Glad Christmas," primary department.

Recitation, "Welcome," Bobby Curfman.

Song, "Away in a Manger," Beginners and Primary departments.

Recitation, "Santa Claus," Billy Dewar.

Song, "Cheer," Beginners and Primary departments.

Exercise, "Poinsettas," Six Primary girls.

Song, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Juniors.

Song, "Silent Night," Juniors.

The members of the committee in charge of the program are Mrs. C. P. Fryer, Mrs. J. H. Knox, Mrs. C. W. Rodgers, Mrs. Fred Stephenson and Miss Virginia Braun.

Good Fellows to Be Hosts Again at Christmas Dinner

Three good fellows of Maryville will be hosts at their third annual Christmas dinner in the basement of the First M. E. Church at 12 o'clock on Christmas day. The dinner will be served by the Wesleyan Class of that church and the menu will consist of turkey and everything a boy or girl could think of to eat. Sacks of candy, nuts and oranges will be given to the diners after dinner.

One hundred and fifty-seven tickets have been issued to some of Maryville's less fortunate families, including not only small boys and girls but also some older folks. If any body has been missed, they are requested to get into communication with Mrs. Steve Donahue.

The first Christmas dinner was given by these men in 1924 at the Elks Club. Last year the dinner was given in the First M. E. Church basement. At that dinner 125 tickets were given away.

BAKER GIVES TEN PAROLES

THREE MURDERERS BENEFIT FROM CHRISTMAS CLEMENCY.

GOVERNOR'S TOTAL 35

Two Whose Life Sentences Are Commuted Are Kansas Citians.—All to Be Released Friday.

Jefferson City, Dec. 22.—In a reversal of his former opposition to granting of pardons and paroles in any considerable number, Governor Sam A. Baker today, in a burst of Christmas clemency, paroled three life-term murderers and seven other prisoners from the Missouri penitentiary.

Two of the life termers had been sent up from Kansas City. They were John E. Tatman, who killed Andrew Lynch in Kansas City, April 13, 1913; and Daniel Sullivan, who killed H. E. Barclay, in Kansas City, January 20, 1920.

The third murder parole was to Nadine Frisby, negro, convicted in Cooper county of complicity in slaying her husband in 1919.

These and the seven other paroles brought the total of Governor Baker up to thirty-five for his term to date. The prisoners will be released Friday.

Representative-Elect and His Brother Shot

Chadwick, Mo., Dec. 22.—R. E. Holt, 27, state representative-elect from Christian County and his brother, Sid Holt, 24, were shot and seriously wounded by an unknown assailant here this afternoon.

Senate and House Adjourn to Jan. 3

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Senate today agreed to adjourn after today's session until January 3, adopting the resolution passed several days ago by the House.

2 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS
HERE! TAKE TH' LAST FIVE I'VE GOT!
Small
The wise folk have but few things left
For which they have to look.
The shopping time is very short,
And so's dad's pocketbook.

PANAMA TO BE ALLY OF U. S.

PENDING TREATY GUARANTEES PROTECTION FOR CANAL.

PROVISIONS IRONCLAD

This Country's Entrance Into War Automatically to Make Panama a Belligerent Also.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Ironclad provisions for cooperative protection of the Panama Canal feature the treaty between the United States and the Republic of Panama, now wafting ratification.

"Panama will consider herself in a state of war in case of any war in which the United States should be belligerent," Article XI of the treaty provides.

In order to render more effective the defense of the canal, Panama will, if necessary in the opinion of the United States government, turn over to the United States in all the territory of the Republic of Panama, during the period of the actual or threatened hostilities, the control and operation of wireless and radio communication, aircraft, aviation centers, and arial navigation."

Although the official text of the treaty may not be made public until it is ratified, its provisions have been learned authoritatively by the United Press.

The treaty stipulates that "in time of peace the armed forces of the United States shall have free transit throughout the Republic for maneuvers or other military purposes," provided due notice is given.

St. Patrick's Will Have Xmas Services

Public Is Invited to Attend Yuletide Ceremonies; Midnight Mass.

The following Christmas services will be held at St. Patrick's Church:

Midnight Mass: Celebrant, Rev. Henry F. Niemann, pastor, assisted by Rev. Ernest Graham, deacon, Kendrick Seminary, St. Louis, Rev. Patrick Barret, assistant at St. Patrick's. Sermon by the pastor.

Musical program:

"Silent Night, Holy Night," Goller.

"Oh, Lovely Infant, Dearest Saviour," solo and chorus.

Kyrie, Gloria and Credo, Battman's First Mass in C.

Offertory, Adeste Fideles.

Sanctus, Battman's First Mass in C.

Benedictus, R. Fuhrer.

Agnus Dei, Battman's First Mass in C.

Jesu, Dulcis Memoria, Communion Hymn.

Recessional, "Hail, the Babe of Glory," W. E. Berge.

Organist, Miss Cecelia Miller.

Violinist, Miss Margaret Leuck.

Low Mass, 8-9 a. m.

High Mass followed by Benediction 10 a. m. Sermon by Rev. Patrick Barret. Same musical program as at the Midnight Mass.

Public cordially invited and welcome.

Oil Station Signs, "Alcohol for Sale," Violation of Law

St. Louis, Dec. 22.—A large per centage of American automobile filling station proprietors are unwittingly violators of the prohibition law, Federal Prohibition Administrator Sam Haley announced today.

Haley, who is in charge of liquor law enforcement in Missouri, southern Illinois and Kansas, said that filling station owners who erect signs, "Alcohol for sale," even though it is intended to keep automobile radiators from freezing, are violators of Volstead act and subject to prosecution unless they add the words, "completely denatured."

Bond Given by Three Burlington Jct. Men

James Shores, Charged With Transporting Liquor, Waives Preliminary Hearing.

James Shores of Burlington Junction, was at liberty today after waiving preliminary hearing yesterday before Judge J. H. Sayler in justice court on a charge of transportation of liquor and furnishing a $1,000 bond.

Chas. Finnell and Frank Short, also of Burlington Junction, arrested on a gaming charge, gave bond of $200 each,

British Marines Turn Back Chinese Invaders

300 Armed Troops Display Menacing Attitude At Hankow But Withdraw, Then Send Apology.

Hankow, China., Dec. 22.—Three hundred armed Chinese troops today attempted to force their way through the British concession here but were turned back by marines, after a show of force.

The Chinese assumed an aggressive attitude, ostentatiously loading their rifles as they approached the marines, but the marines immediately went through the same pantomime and in addition displayed machine guns. The Chinese officer in command of the detachment subsequently apologized for the incident.

It was reported today that Chinese soldiers looted Ichang, but that foreign property had escaped.

'KING' PURNELL ON STRETCHER

AGED CULT LEADER IS CARRIED INTO COURTROOM.

FACES TWO CHARGES

Former Girl Members of House of David Colony Accuse Him of Criminal Assaults.

Benton Harbor, Mich., Dec. 22.—For the second time in one day, "King Ben" Purnell of the House of David was carried into justice court here this afternoon on a stretcher to answer charges of criminal assault upon a former girl member of his colony.

This morning Purnell appeared in Justice Ara Weldon's court to face Mrs. Bessie Daniels Woodworth, who reaffirmed sensational charges of a statutory nature. Purnell lay silent on the stretcher during recital of the charges. Decision to bind him over to circuit court for the Wadsworth charge was postponed to December 30.

This afternoon the aged cult leader again appeared in justice court of Elizabeth Forhan to answer charges preferred by Mrs. Ruth Damford Reed and Mrs. Gladys Damford Rubel, sisters and former members of the cult. Both alleged statutory offenses.

Now 65 years old and in feeble health Purnell has led the House of David for twenty years as the self-styled "seventh messenger of the ingathering of the Israelites." Under his admittedly intuitive guidance it has grown from a modest beginning to a powerful corporation with holdings valued in the millions. Members are understood to have turned over their entire fortunes to him on promise of "immorality."

Strength Dwindles.

Five years ago, however, Purnell became the target of litigation brought by several disgruntled ex-members of the colony; an investigation was launched by the State of Michigan into charges of gross immoralities under the cloak of religion; and the numerical strength of the House of David dwindled from more than 1,000 to its present number of less than half that figure.

Today the now white-bearded and physically broken patriarch is wanted in both federal and state courts to answer charges of criminal assault upon young girls, to answer suits for civil damages and return of property, and to satisfy the contention of the State of Michigan that the House of David should be dissolved on the grounds it is a fraud.

In addition to repeated denials of all charges against himself and his colony, Purnell and the House of David retaliated by filing suit for $200,000 charging slander against former members of the cult. They sought "a hand in the money bag," he said.

But following issuance of capiases for his arrest four years ago, Purnell suddenly disappeared. Members of the House of David professed to know nothing of his whereabouts. And until November 17 of this year "King Ben" successfully eluded all attempts to capture him.

Raid Led By Accuser.

Early on the morning of that day, however, Michigan state police, led by Mrs. Bessie Daniels Woodworth, a former cult member and Purnell's latest accuser on criminal charges, hacked their way with axes into the interior of "Shiloh," headquarters of the cult here, and found Purnell, evidently broken in health, surrounded by seven faithful members of the House of David. The remaining members of the colony

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REED REPORT IS SUBMITTED

NO RECOMMENDATION IS MADE ON SEATING OF VARE.

THREE STATES CLEAR

Charges Of Irregularity In Missouri, Oregon And Washington Unfounded, Committee Declares.

Washington, Dec. 22.—A report citing evidence of the $2,500,000 expenditure in the Pennsylvania Republican primary and declaring charges of irregularity in the Oregon, Washington and Missouri primaries unfounded, was presented to the Senate today by the Reed investigating committee.

The committee merely noted the testimony in the Pennsylvania case and made no recommendations as to possible action in connection with election of William S. Vare, Republican, who spent $800,000, or Senator Pepper, Republican, Pennsylvania, who spent more than $1,500,000.

The report links the "Mellon family," to which Secretary of the Treasury Mellon belongs, with the contest in the following words:

"The contest between Pepper and Vare was a factional contest for political control of the state, waged by Republican politicians in western Pennsylvania, dominated and led by the Mellon family and its interests against the Republican machine of Philadelphia which William S. Vare controlled and operated as an inheritance from the late Senator Penrose.

"Added to this purely political contest was the determination on the part of Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association, a powerful amalgamation under the leadership of its president, a wealthy manufacturer of eastern Pennsylvania and experienced lobbyist, Joseph P. Grundy, to elect John S. Fisher, a corporation and railroad attorney and to defeat Edward F. Beidelman of the Republican gubernatorial nomination, and thereby prevent the repeal of an excise tax on coal mined in the state, as advocated by Beidelman, and insure the manufacturing interests freedom from all state corporation taxes."

Watchman in Kansas City Found Murdered

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 22.—The body of J. E. Whitfield, 58, watchman, was found early today in a barn of the Blue Line Transfer Company here by a foreman of the barn when he came to work.

Whitfield's death had been caused by a blow on the head. The pockets of the dead man's clothing had been turned inside out. Fellow employes of Whitfield said he usually carried from $100 to $150 with him.

Police are seeking a discharged employe of the company who is known to be in financial difficulty.

Fog Delays Second Hop of Army Planes

Five Amphibian Ships Embarked Upon South American Flight Remain at Point Isabel, Tex.

Point Isabel, Tex., Dec. 22.—Heavy fog here today is delaying the departure of the five amphibian army airplanes for Tampico, Mexico.

Major H. A. Dargue, commander of the flight, said the thick mists would endanger the planes, as the pilots could not see what they might run into in taking off. He said departure would be delayed until the fog lifts.

Opposes Immediate Philippine Freedom

Report of Carmi A. Thompson Also Advises Against Separation of Two Islands.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Immediate independence for the Philippines was disapproved by Carmi A. Thompson, special investigator for President Coolidge, in his report on the islands made public today by the White House.

The islands of Mindenao and Sulu should not be separated from the remainder of the territory, Thompson declared, but American control should be strengthened in these provinces.

Weather

Cloudy and colder tomorrow.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

By Rodney Dutcher.
NEA Service Writer.

Washington.—The American Cynamid Company, one of the bidders for Muscle Shoals, has mailed sample bottles of fertilizer to all senators with the assurance that it will produce the same at the shoals if given the chance. Each senator received about half a pint of fertilizer.

Describing the chemical content, a paster on the bottles says: "It is made by the same process of nitrogen fixation for which U. S. Nitrate Plant No. 2 at Muscle Shoals is designed. The proposal of the Air Nitrates Corporation and American Cynamid Company is to produce this same material at Muscle Shoals."

Senators don't know what to do with the stuff and wonder whether they are expected to take it home to try out in the flower pots or spread it on the lawn. Two very bald senators were heard asking each other if it would aid growth of hair. Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska looked at his bottle and remained unimpressed.

Among those who waited in the corridor for the Fall-Doheny verdict was Jack Britton, the famous former prize-fight champion. Jack was sure Fall, a friend of his, and Doheny weren't guilty. He has seen fighter after fighter sell out to the gamblers on the eve of big fights and, "Why should Fall have sold upwards of a $100,000,000 privilege for a mere $100,000 loan?" Jack asked. "Under prevailing sell-out rates in the fight game as she is today, he should have got $10,000,000."

E. B. McLean, the publisher, and an important witness at the trial, was the only one of the waiting crowd of high and low degree who wore no vest.

McLean is the richest permanent resident of Washington, so it wasn't because the vest had fallen to pieces that he appeared only in coat and shirt. But his condition may have been inspired by a desire to display a remarkable shirt, with huge alternate stripes of pink and white, collar to match.

BARBS

The average man has 66 pounds of muscle and 3.3 pounds of brain, according to a physician. Maybe that explains everything.

The quaint belief still persists in some parts of the country that Santa Claus got his start in life as a jury foreman.

Many a husband now listed among the dead or missing will show up after the shopping decks have been cleared of the debris.

Young Bank Robber in Jail at Clarinda

Youth Arrested at Coin, Ia., Admits He Was One of Texas Bandit Trio —"College Bred," He Says.

Self-confessed as one of a trio of youths who robbed a Mineral Springs, Tex., bank of $7,000 at 3 o'clock Saturday morning and escaped after a gun battle, James H. Hairson, 20, is being held in the county jail at Clarinda. He was arrested at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning asleep in the second story of a vacant house in "Stratton row," Coin, according to the Shenandoah Sentinel-World.

Hairson confessed to Sheriff R. J. McCurdy and Deputy Earl Downing that he and Clyde A. Stratton of Coin and Roy Carson robbed the bank. Stratton and his companion who gave his name as Louis Huffman of Wichita, Kan., were arrested at Nebraska City on suspicion. Hairson claims that he threw away $2,000, most of his share of the loot, near the bridge across the Missouri river at Nebraska City when it was learned that he was being suspected. Hairson had $130 on him when arrested.

The youth who has one glass eye claims to be "college bred."

A message from Texas to Mayor Homer Runyan and Marshal John Martin, Coin officials and officers, told them to be on the lookout for the trio. The marshal noticed tracks going into the Stratton garage and went to the home. None of the men were found. But investigation in a vacant house led to Hairson's arrest. He is said to have confessed his part of the crime to the officers and expressed willingness to return to Texas.

The Buick coupe he was driving showed signs of where bullets had hit it. Hairson had not slept for 72 hours.

Stratton who is 20 or 21 years old, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stratton. He has several sisters at home. The young man has been away from Coin about two months, returning off and on. He is said to be an excellent mechanic. His father, who is a painter and paper hanger, formerly conducted a coal and grain business.

M. F. A. Contracts to Test in Courts

About 45,000 Farmers of Missouri to Be Affected by Decision of Suit at Mount Vernon.

The validity of the producer's contracts of the Missouri Farmers' Association, which was organized by William Hirth of Columbia, will be tested next month at Mount Vernon, thru a suit brought in the circuit court by Charles C. Johnson, a farmer living near that place.

About 45,000 farmers of Missouri have already signed these contracts, says the Kansas City Star. If Johnson's allegations are sustained the contracts already signed will be declared void. Because of the far-reaching effect on the future activities of this farmers' organization, the case will probably go to the State Supreme Court.

Operating under a nonprofit cooperative law enacted by the Legislature of 1923, the farmer's organization has sought to take over the marketing of the basic agricultural products. The aim is the ultimate control of the marketing through local farmers' exchanges and terminal market agencies of virtually all the grain, livestock, poultry and dairy products raised on the farms of the state. The contracts are for a five year period.

In the suit filed by Allen & Allen lawyers of Springfield, it is alleged the contract is against public policy, in restraint of trade, violation of the freedom of contract, and that the nonprofit co-operative statute is unconstitutional and invalid.

The petition to invalidate the contract asserts Johnson signed the agreement early in 1925 under false representations; that advantageous prices and terms would be obtained for his products, and that in a few days three-fourths of the farmers of Lawrence County would be signed up. Since signing this contract and executing a required promissory note of $10, Johnson alleges this part of the contract has not been carried out. He further alleges the farmers' organization has sought to dictate to whom his products should be sold.

Johnson asserts he is threatened with crimial prosecution and suit for damages under the contract if he attempts to sell in the open markets. Under the terms of the contract, those who buy from a contract signer may be proceeded against, thus preventing him from selling his products in the open market for the best price.

Just arrived — Car Franklin County lump, $8.50 to $9.00 per ton. Car high grade Illinois lump, $7.50 to $8.00 per ton.
WM. EVERHART.

Willie Willis

By ROBERT QUILLEN

"I didn't know my Sunday School lesson much good, an' I guess I was wrong when I said 'Begat' was one of the prophets."

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AN OVERWORKED SANTA CLAUS.

Mother Goes After Children; Gets Them

Mrs. Velma Ulmer, Shenandoah, Suing for Divorce, Outwits Husband's Parents at Hopkins.

(From the Shenandoah Sentinel-World.)

Mrs. Velma Ulmer who has been making her home here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Mobley, since July, pending divorce proceedings from her husband in the January term of court, went to Hopkins, Mo., the last of the week and brought back her two children, Geraldine 5 and Robert 2.

They had been taken by their father two weeks ago to the home of his parents, E. H. Ulmer, on account of the illness of his grandmother, Mrs. Ritchie Ulmer, who he said was quite ill. He promised to bring them back on the following Monday, and when he did not come Sunday, Mrs. Ulmer became alarmed. The roads were slick and she feared an accident. She telephoned him and he is said to have replied "that he had the children, and to get them if she could."

Mrs. Ulmer went to the home the last of the week and the senior Mr. Ulmer is reported to have said, "You are not going to take them," locked the door, put the key in his pocket and went to the telephone. Mrs. Ulmer grabbed the children and fled out another door. She came home with them.

The father of the children, who is working in the country, had left the children with his parents to care for. The father came to this city Monday night, bringing their clothes for them, and said he had intended to bring them back for over Christmas with her and that she need not have spent her money to get a taxi to come after them. Mrs. Ulmer is employed at the Manifold and Vincent Candy Kitchen.

AUCTIONEER
R. W. WACHTEL
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Bedison

Mr. and Mrs. Mearl Thompson announce the birth of a baby girl, December 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Allen of Barnard and Miss Dorothy Newcomer were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen and son, Roy.

Mrs. William Clester, Mrs. Lovell Thompson and son, Robert, and Dorothy Newcomer, visited with R. E. Archer and son, Wayne, Monday evening.

Billie and Elsie Snyder were absent from school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Schaefer and children Charles and Charlene, were shopping in Maryville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Logan and children Evelyn and Wilten and Dorothy Newcomer and Gladys Reynolds were shopping in Maryville Saturday evening.

Henry Hansen shipped his hogs to St. Joseph Tuesday.

Florence Clester was able to go to school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Thompson were shopping in Maryville Saturday evening.

Miss Elsie Snyder visited with Misses Pauline and Florence Clester Monday evening.

Georgie Reynolds visited with Florence Clester Sunday evening.

Aaron Reynolds of Maryville visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reynolds and children Sunday evening.

The children in Bedison school are busy practicing for their program which Miss Effie Henderson is going to have before Christmas at the Bedison church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed E. Jensen announce the birth of a son December 21.

Mrs. Lowell Thompson and son, Robert and Miss Dorothy Newcomer visited with Mrs. Mearl Thompson Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clester were shopping in Maryville Wednesday.

Mrs. Dan Reynolds and children, Gladys, Albert and Georgia, were shopping in Maryville Wednesday.

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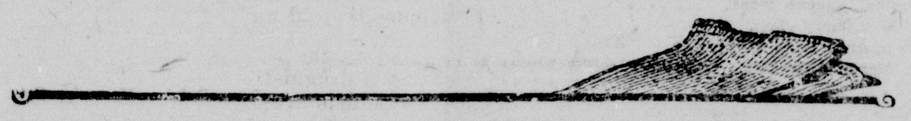
Large bottle Richelieu Catsup	25c
No. 2½ size can Lee Brand Spiced Pickled Peaches	30c
Gallon pail pure Country Sorghum	$1.10

Grocery Store will be open until Noon Christmas Day.



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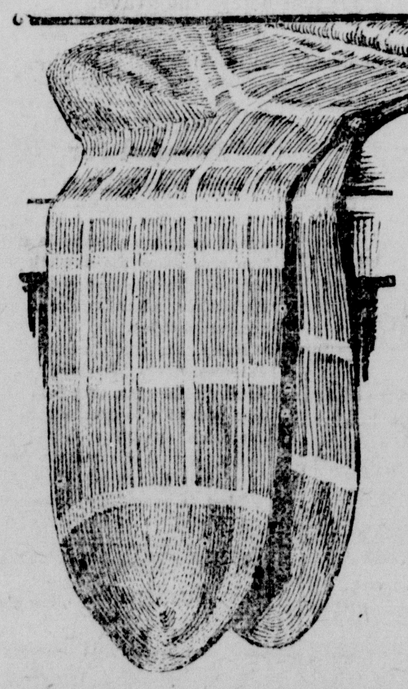

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IN SOCIETY

Christmas Dinner Parties.

Christmas is essentially a day of home gatherings, when relatives or friends meet in celebration of the holiday. This year is no exception, numerous dinners having been arranged for Christmas day. In many cases, some of the guests will be relatives who have come to Maryville especially for this holiday.

The members of a Christmas dinner party at the home of Mrs. Mary Brennan, 319 West Second street, will be Mr. and Mrs. Leo McShane, Miss Mae McShane, and Miss Mary Burns, all of Kansas City, Kans., who are expected for a holiday visit, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Tobin, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tobin and son, T. J., of Maryville, James, Frank, Ed and Irene Tobin of Burlington Junction, Miss Kate Vaughn, Miss Catherine Tobin, and Mrs. Brennan and son, John Brennan.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wadley will go to Burlington Junction to be Christmas dinner guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. C. D. Lane, and Mr. Lane. Raymond Harrington Lane, son of the hosts, who is connected with the Union Pacific railroad with headquarters at Falls City, Neb., will be another member of the family group.

The annual Christmas tree celebration and exchange of gifts for members of the Bellows family will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bellows on Christmas eve. A buffet supper will be served. The group will include, besides the hosts and sons, Charles and Frank, Mrs. Charlotte Cotton of Kansas City, mother of Mrs. Bellows, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bellows, Charles Bellows, jr., of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bellows and daughter, Emma Ruth, and Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Deatherage and son, Dale. The same group will be entertained at dinner on Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bellows.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Thomas have as their holiday guests the latter's brother, Charles Thompson, and his daughter, Miss Golda Keller, of Covington, Okla., who arrived in Maryville Monday. Other members of a dinner party at the Thomas home on Christmas day will be Mrs. John Armstrong, Miss Mina Armstrong, Fred Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Appleby and Robert Gallagher.

A reunion of the Gaugh and Walker families will be held on Christmas day at the home of Judge and Mrs. Charles E. Walker in Burlington Junction. The group will include Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Allen and children, Margaret Ann and Jack, of Oklahoma City, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Gaugh and children, Helen and William, of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neal, Miss Anna Walker, William Aesdale, Miss Pauline Walker, and the hosts, Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Gaugh of Burlington Junction will be unable to join the group for dinner on account of the former's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Gooden will have as their Christmas dinner guests their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest O. Gooden and daughter, Helen Marie, and Mrs. Gooden's mother, Mrs. Mary Livasy, of Kansas City.

Rebekahs Meet at 7.

The meeting of Alert Rebekah Lodge will open at 7 o'clock tomorrow night instead of 7:30, the usual time.

Auxiliary Meeting.

The Ladies Auxiliary to Seth Ray David Post, V. F. W., will meet at 7:15 o'clock tonight in the Veterans Association clubrooms. The Post will meet an hour later.

Entertain at Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carmichael entertained with a 1 o'clock dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Piveral, who were married recently. Those present, besides the honor guests were Mrs. Elizabeth Sears, Miss Lulu Damgar, George Kunkel, Lester Kunkel, and the hosts.

Christmas Party.

The annual Christmas party of the I. F. A. Club was held last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stafford. The Christmas colors prevailed in the decorations and a large Christmas tree held gifts for the members and their families. A short program was given. The remainder of the evening was spent in old-time games, after which refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shreve, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Moberly, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mozingo, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cassell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hartness, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fagerquist, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Frazee, Miss Elizabeth Shamberger, Velma and Anna Cassell, Dorothy Mae Frazee, John Lewis, Mary Louise, and Donald Hartness, Marion Frede and the hosts. Boxes of candy were sent to the absent members.

Xenia B. T. W. Club.

An afternoon meeting of the Xenia B. T. W. Club was held yesterday at the home of Mrs. Everett Swaney. Roll call was answered by Christmas quotations and an exchange of Christmas gifts was enjoyed. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Everett Swaney; vice-president, Mrs. Virgil Hyde; secretary, Mrs. J. W. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Birkenholz; reporter, Mrs. Bryan Hanna; and alternate, Mrs. Rowland Rickard. Mrs. G. G. Downing was the winner in a guessing contest. Lunch was served by the hostess. Those present were Mrs. J. W. Swaney, Mrs. Nelson Adkins, Mrs. Charles Birkenholz, Mrs. J. W. Smith and son, Mrs. Virgil Hyde, Mrs. Dell Hyde, Mrs. J. N. Otis, Mrs. G. G. Downing, Mrs. Rowland Rickard and children, Mrs Bryan Hanna and son, Mrs. Harry Lett, Miss Beatrice Downing, Harold Swaney and the hostess. An all-day meeting will be held with Mrs. Nelson Adkins Jan. 12.

Tourist Program.

A resume of "The Miracle" by Miss Grace Shepherd of the State Teachers College faculty was an extra feature of the program at the meeting of the tourist department of the Twentieth Century Club yesterday afternoon. Mrs. W. W. Stanfield was the hostess. Mrs. C. C. Lawrence was the leader of the program. A paper written by Mrs. J. D. Ford on "British Rule in India" was read by Mrs. Edgar D. Arnold. Mrs. J. A. Ford discussed "Early Civilization of India," and the current events were in charge of Mrs. C. H. Withington. The department will hold an open meeting Jan. 18.

M. V. Club.

Mrs. John Knisley was hostess to the M. V. Club at her home, northwest of Maryville, Saturday afternoon. Roll call was responded to with Christmas poems, and the Bible lesson was from the tenth chapter of St. Luke. Mrs. Jesse Tanner, Mrs. Dale Carver and Mrs. Jim Bradshaw won the prizes in three contests. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. John Cooper, and Mrs. Erve Perry, served sandwiches, peaches, cake and coffee. Those present were Mrs. Will Kluth, Mrs. Ormand Mitchell, Mrs. Jesse Tanner, Mrs. Dale Carver and children, Mrs. Jim Bradshaw, Mrs. Erve Perry and Mrs. John Cooper. The following officers were elected during the business meeting: President, Mrs. Ormand Mitchell; vice-president, Mrs. Will Sherlock; secretary, Mrs. Jim Bradshaw; and treasurer, Mrs. Will Kluth. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jay Meek on Jan. 7.

Guild Party.

Members of the senior Westminster Guild Chapter of the Presbyterian Church entertained their husbands at a Christmas party last night at the church. Various stunts were enjoyed and gifts for the members and guests were arranged around a Christmas tree. Refreshments and a carnival were the concluding features. In attendance were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Knox, Miss Lucile Brumbaugh, Miss Leona Willard, Miss Edith Cramer, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Zimmerman, the Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Dewar, Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Fryer, Mr. and Mrs. George Neff, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Simpich, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Curfman, Miss Margaret Lee Winston, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lippman, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rogers, Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Person, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Allen, Margaret Knox, Virginia Braun, Miss May Anthony, Mrs. Alma Braun, Miss Nora Ritze, Dr. Ethel Saxman, Miss Nell Hudson, Miss Neva Sage, Miss Dessa Gault, Mrs. Emery Airy, Miss Helen Todd, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harper.

Christmas Party at St. Clair Home.

L. L. St. Clair, principal of the Maryville High School, and Mrs. St. Clair gave a Christmas party at their home on South Buchanan street last night, when they entertained members of the faculty, their husbands and wives. Rook was the first feature of the evening. After the games a short Christmas program was given as follows: Two vocal solos by Bernhardt Bronson, accompanied by Mrs. Bronson; a musical selection by H. O. Hickernell; and a Christmas reading by Miss Anna Crane. Gifts were distributed from the Christmas tree after serving of refreshments. Under the leadership of Mr. Bronson, the guests sang Christmas carols as a concluding feature. The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ziegler, Miss Laura B. Hawkins, Miss Bertha Northcutt, Miss Leva Wilson, Miss Anna R. Crane, Miss Mabel Messick, Miss Ruth Bookman, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Rathbun, Miss Fannie Hope, Miss Mabel Cook, Miss Elizabeth Leet, Miss Mabel Marr, Miss Augusta Quell, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Manley, C. W. Croy, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Bernhardt Bronson and Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hickernell. Additional guests were Miss Olive Woodward and R. O. Woodward, sister and father of Mrs. St. Clair, who are holiday guests at the St. Clair home.

Davis-Cain.

Miss Ruth Davis and Ralph Cain, both of Craig, were married this afternoon at the parsonage of the Methodist Church in Quitman. The Rev. J. H. Fanning officiated.

File Declarations For Naturalization

Justin Pappert of Clyde and Joseph Muller of Hopkins Would Become Citizens.

Two men, Justin Pappert of Clyde and Joseph Muller of Hopkins, have declared their intentions of becoming citizens of the United States.

Pappert, who gives his age at 28 and occupation as chaffeur, stated that he was born at Bismarck, Germany, and that he landed in New York, May 9, 1926.

In Joseph Muller's declaration of intentions to become a citizen, he stated he was 21 years of age, a farm laborer, that he was born at Horchheim, Germany, and landed in New York, October 21, 1925.

C. B. Wood Named Executor.

Charles B. Wood of Hopkins, today was appointed executor of the estate of his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Wood, of Hopkins, who died December 18, 1926, by Judge Jesse F. Robertson of the probate court.

Wilfleys to California.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Wilfley expect to leave tomorrow afternoon for Denver, Colo., where they will be holiday guests of their son, Clifford Wilfley, and family. From Denver they will go to Los Angeles, Cal., to spend two or three months with three brothers and a sister of Mr. Wilfley and Lawrence Saunders, a brother of Mrs. Wilfley. They will return home via the southern route, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Warren Breit, and Mr. Breit, at Houston, Texas, en route.

Mrs. Mattie Moody and her father, W. H. Smock, left this morning for Oneida, Kan., for a visit with their sister and daughter, Mrs. Frank Albright.

Billy Rable of Wilcox left yesterday evening for Fort Wayne, Ind., to spent Christmas with his parents.

One Candidate Initiated.

The degree team of the Wilcox Rebekah Lodge put on the work at the regular meeting of the Burlington Junction lodge last night. One candidate was initiated. Between thirty and thirty-five members went to Burlington Junction for the meeting.

Warren Bloomfield and Glen Bloomfield of Orrsburg were Maryville visitors today.

Dr. Todd Home.

Dr. J. H. Todd returned last night from St. Joseph where he has been a patient at the Missouri Methodist Hospital about three weeks. He stood the motor trip home very well. He is at his home on West Third street.

Miss Merle Ford, home economics instructor in the Bartlesville, Okla., High School, will come tomorrow night for a holiday visit with her mother, Mrs. J. S. Ford, and her sister, Miss Gladys Ford.

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The winter season is designated as the months of December, January and February by the Weather Bureau for the purpose of convenience, although the spring equinox is officially March 21.

Commissions received for County Officials

Eight, Elected At November Election, Will Be Sworn Into Office January 1.

Commissions to county offices for eight persons who were elected at the November election were received today at the office of the county clerk from the office of Governor Baker, countersigned by Charles U. Becker, secretary of state.

Commissions were received for the following:

E. T. Bailey, elected presiding judge of the county court for a term of four years.

J. N. Billingsley, associate county judge, elected for two years.

Chas. S. Armstrong, associate judge, elected for two years.

Jesse F. Robertson, probate judge, elected for four years.

William Tilson, clerk of circuit court, elected for four years.

Fred Wright, clerk of the county court, elected for a 4-year term.

Jack W. Greeson, recorder of deeds, elected for four years.

George P. Wright, prosecuting attorney, elected for two years.

All of the foregoing will be sworn into office January 1.

Joseph Jackson, III, will arrive home tomorrow from Drake University at Des Moines, Ia., to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jackson.

Christmas Program at Rockford Church

Santa Claus Will Attend Meeting; Music and Readings to Make Up Entertainment.

Members of the Rockford Church will give a program Friday night. A Christmas tree and the presence of Santa Claus will be additional features of the meeting. The program which will start at 7:30 o'clock, follows:

"Joy to the World," Audience with orchestra.

Solo, "Glory to God," Mary Alice Jones, with chorus.

"Welcome," Rosa Mae Smith.

"Writing to Santa" Gladys Cook.

"Santa's Defender," Junior McNeal.

Exercise, "Christmas Advice," school girls.

Cornet solo, "The Lost Chord," Eugene Moore.

"Up on the Housetop," Alice Irene Reakseeker.

"His Christmas Gift," Beulah Smith.

"Christmas Joys," Sue Moore.

"Buying Christmas Presents," Irene Masters.

Chorus, "The Christmas Song," Odessa Wells Hart, soloist, with violin obligato, Harold Bailey.

"Which is Santa," Dorothy Needham.

"The New Dolly," Marjorie Partridge.

"Kitty's Present," Kathryn Jones.

Exercise, "The Christmas Stocking" Chester, Nina and Thelma Kime.

Quartet, with soprano obligato, Miss Opal Mallory, Mrs. Odessa Wells Hart, Mrs. John Evans, Messrs. Bert Williams and Carroll Hogan.

"Why Do Bells for Christmas Ring?" Donald Maffitt.

Exercise, "Christmas Dreams" four little girls.

"The Holy Night," Dorothy Nelle Moore.

Pantomime, "Christmas Eve," four children.

Song, "Merry Christmas," Kathryn Jones.

Duet, "What Saw the Shepherds," Mrs. Ernest Bainum and Miss Opal Mallory.

Orchestra, "All Hail Immanuel."

Dialogue, "Deaf Uncle Sim," school.

Echo song, "Hark the Music," chorus.

"The Best Day," Doris Thelma Work.

Chorus, "The Bells."

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The pleasure he gives each customer by serving him on Christmas Eve rebounds to swell the druggist's own happiness. The joy of his many customers will fill him with a joy unlike that experienced by the ordinary mortal.

Therefore we do not stop at wishing our friends a Merry Christmas; but to each of our friends we would say: may your Christmas be TWICE AS MERRY.

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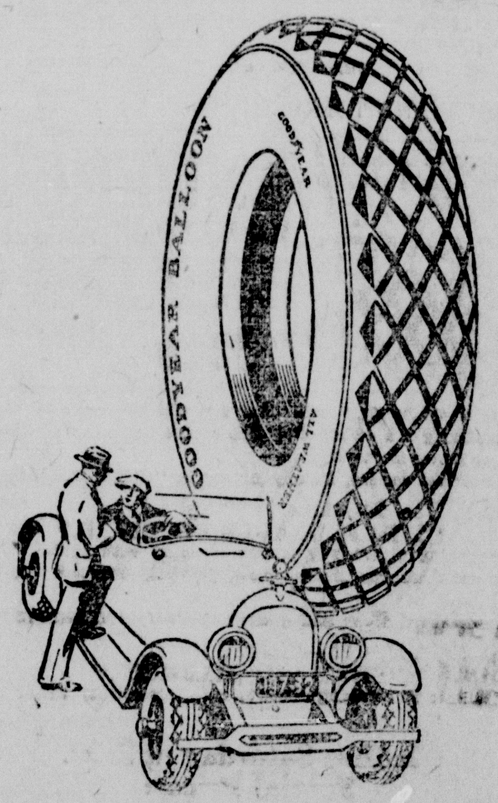

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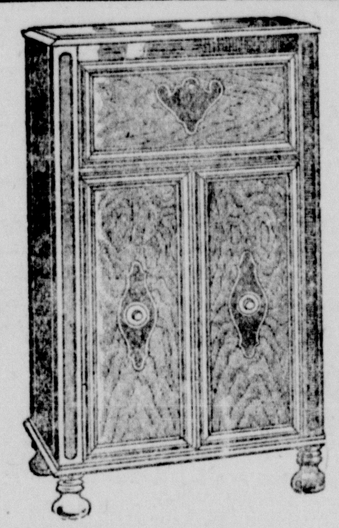

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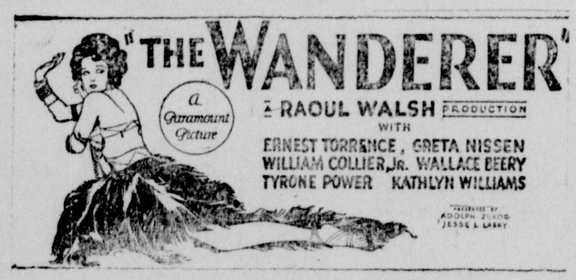

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Local News

Mrs. W. W. Stiwalt and daughter, Audrey, will go to St. Joseph Friday morning to spend the holidays with Mr. Stiwalt. Miss Stiwalt will resume her studies at the State Teachers College after the holidays.

Mrs. Louis Bahr and children of Miami Station, Mo., who have been visiting Mrs. Bahr's mother, Mrs. G. C. Sheppard of Elmo, and her cousin, Mrs. Leo B. Knox, returned home this morning.

Miss Veva Anthony, a student at the University of Missouri at Columbia, arrived in Maryville today on her way to visit her father, Frank Anthony, and her sister, Miss Ruby Anthony, at Hopkins.

Mrs. Mary Wyatt Moore will go to Kansas City in the morning to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. T. R. Osborn.

Miss Helen Dean, an instructor in the St. Joseph schools, will spend the holidays at home.

H. W. Kramer went to Kansas City today on a business trip.

Mrs. W. D. Riley of Marysville, Kan., who has been visiting her brother, A. R. Robinson, returned to her home last evening. The condition of Mrs. Robinson, who is ill at St. Francis hospital is a little better.

Mrs. D. R. MacLeod and little son, Donald, of Tyrone, Okla., who were called here last week by the illness of Mrs. MacLeod's mother, Mrs. A. R. Perrin, left this afternoon for their home. Mrs. Perrin's condition is improved.

Mrs. George Hulet and her sister, Miss Wilma Beauchamp, left this afternoon for Oklahoma City, Okla., where they will spend the holidays with the former's daughters, Misses Dale, Wave and Arlie Hulet, instructors in the city schools.

Miss Gertrude Wright will arrive in Maryville tomorrow morning from Iowa City, Ia., to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Wright.

Miss Colden Here.

Miss Abbie Bel Colden of Denver, Colo., arrived in Maryville last night to be the holiday guests of Miss Lucile Wright. She will go to Stanberry tomorrow night to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Lester Hawthorne.

Announce Birth of Son.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Watson announce the birth of a son yesterday morning at their home on East Halsey street.

Eeks to Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Eek and little son, Lauris, jr., left this noon for Muskegon, Mich., where they will spend the holidays with Mr. Eek's mother, Mrs. Caroline Eek, and other relatives.

To LaFeria, Tex.

Dr. Frank C. Wallis left last evening for LaFeria, Tex., where he will spend Christmas with his father, Dr. W. M. Wallis, Sr.

Davis Program Will Be Given at Night

The school program to be given at the Davis school, ten miles south of Maryville, will take place at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening instead of in the afternoon as had been announced.

Masterful Presentation of Cantata Given at College

Dudley Buck's difficult cantata, "The Coming of the King," was presented this morning by the State Teachers College chorus, in a manner deserving of much commendation.

Assisted by four soloists, the chorus went through the musical numbers this morning in a fashion which drew instantaneous appreciation from an audience which packed the College auditorium. Besides the College students, the Maryville High School student body and about a hundred Maryville residents listened to the cantata, sung by sixty-two select voices.

Charles R. Gardner, director of the Conservatory and conductor of the chorus, had drilled his students for several months on the program, and they responded admirably to his direction.

Four students of the College, all private pupils of Bernhardt Bronson, voice instructor, carried the solo parts of the cantata. They were: Miss Elizabeth Mills, Grant City, soprano; Miss Christine Goff, Cameron, contralto; Paschal Monk, Burlington Junction, baritone; and Vernon Barrett, Skidmore, tenor.

There were eleven numbers on the program. Thomas H. Annett, piano teacher at the conservatory, played the prelude and accompanied all other numbers. His playing received its usual appreciation.

Although the solo numbers were outstanding, the cantata reached its height in the sixth number and the last. Both of these were by the chorus. They were "The Plains of Bethlehem" and "Adeste Fideles."

Miss Goff and Mr. Barrett were exceptional in their duet, "Annunciation."

One of the outstanding things about the cantata was that a men's chorus of twenty-three voices played an important part. These singers have been receiving special instruction, and they handled their parts admirably.

The cantata was the Christmas program at the College. It was held at 10:45 o'clock this morning, as the regular weekly assembly hour. This is the second time that "The Coming of the King" has been sung at the College, it having been given as a Christmas program two years ago.

Christmas Program at St. Patrick's

School Is Dismissed Until January 3; Readings and Music Given; Santa Claus Is Present.

A Christmas program was given at St. Patrick's School this morning when Santa Claus was present with nuts, candies and oranges for the children. School was dismissed until January 3.

The program follows:

Adeste Fideles—School.

"Christmas Welcome" — Theresa Leuck.

"Christmas Greeting"—Francis Linneman.

"A Merry Christmas"—Mary F. McCaffrey.

"Bobby's Query"—Harold Grady.

"Long Ago in Bethlehem"—Kathleen Clark.

"Kittie's Present"—Juliann Doffing.

"The Reason"—Charles McQuinn.

"Poor Santa Claus"—Dorothy M. Vaughn.

"Santa's Trials"—Margaret Yeaman.

"All He Wants"—Ralph Moyer.

"Overheard at Christmas"—Genevieve Reimer.

The Christmas Story—Chorus of Grade Pupils.

Christmas Greeting—Fourteen Little Girls.

Ring Again—Two-part Chorus—High School.

Presentation Speech—Darlene Garten.

Accompanist—Margaret Leuck.

Operetta at Graham to Be at M. E. Church

The Operetta entitled "In Santa Claus Land" to be given by the grade children of the Graham School will be on Thursday night, Dec. 23, in the M. E. Church instead of at the Peerless Theater, as was previously announced.

Will Arrive Here Tomorrow.

John Allan DeMotte, a student in the Washington University in St. Louis, will arrive home Thursday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Belle De Motte and family.

Everything All Set for High School Play

Rehearsal Was Held This Afternoon—Will Be Presented Tomorrow.

Everything is set for the annual Christmas program, a play, "Why the Chimes Rang," which will be presented by the beginning senior class of the Maryville school at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the high school auditorium.

A rehearsal was held at 3:40 o'clock this evening. The play is said to carry with it a fine Christmas message, and the music, scenery and lighting effects add greatly to the Christmas drama.

Miss Virginia Braun, who takes the part of the angel, and Genevieve Miller, who plays the role of an organist, were omitted from the printed cast yesterday. Cleo Yeble has arranged the lighting effects.

Maryville Team Wins Debate From Barnard

Two Girls Successfully Argue Negative of World Court Question — Second M. H. S. Victory.

By a unanimous decision the Maryville High School debating team was declared the winner over Barnard here yesterday afternoon in a district debate on the World Court issue. This is the second debate Maryville has won. The local team defeated Fairfax in the first debate.

The Maryville team, which upheld the negative side of the question, was composed of Misses Cleo King and Doris Wallace. The Barnard team, defending the affirmative side of the question, were Miss Evelyn Turner and George Hargrave.

The judges were the Rev. R. A. Mitchell, the Rev. William N. Dewar and Virgil Rathbun. The chairman was Miss Laura B. Hawkins.

Pickering Church to Have Public Program

The Pickering Christian Church will present a mixed Christmas program in the church on Christmas Eve, at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to this service. There will also be a Christmas tree, and Santa Claus will be present. Those who attend are invited to bring presents and hang them on the tree.

Graham Young People to Carol Friday Night

Young people of Graham will sing Christmas carols this year. All of them are requested to meet at the Presbyterian church immediately following the Christmas programs at the different churches Friday night.

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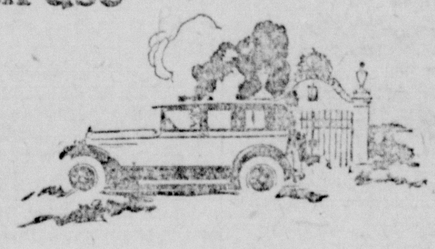

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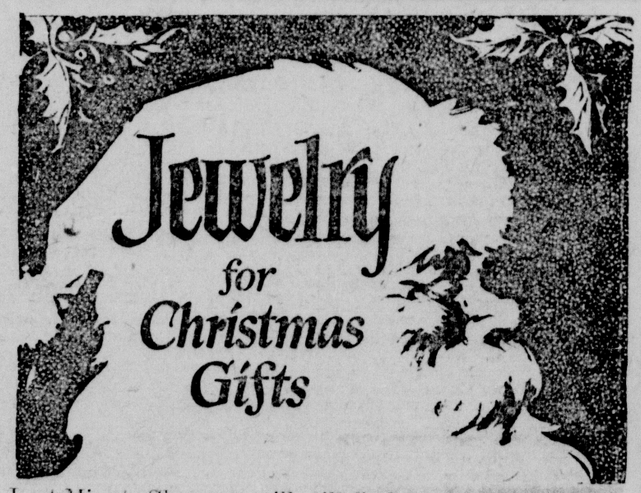

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Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old. For Christmas I want a doll, doll buggy, pair of gloves, candy, nuts, oranges and bananas. I go to the Jefferson school. My teacher's name is Miss Spangler. Don't forget her.

Your friend,
Esther Edwards, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 5 years old. Will you please bring me a wagon. I want a red one. I want some candy and nuts, too. I live at 1324 East First street.

Your little friend,
Robert Junior Mozingo, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: I would like to have a little wagon all painted red, a coat for school, my old one is getting thin. I should like some marbles and a wind-up toy car, some candy, nuts and a big red apple. I am 6 years old.

Laverne Carpentier, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I will write what I would like for Christmas. I would like a kiddie car, some building blocks, some candy and nuts. I am 4 years old.

Jessie Carpentier, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old. I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I go to school every school day. I want a sled, doll, doll buggy, candy, nuts and oranges.

Yours truly, Celia Mires.

P. S. Please don't forget my two sisters, Rosella and Beulah and my brother Homer, dad and ma. Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a lumber jacket, a coaster wagon, and some candy and nuts. I am a little boy 6 years old and in the second grade.

Your friend, Jimmie O'Donnell,
Conception Junction, Mo.

Dear Santa: I want a doll, sled, piano, hat, coat, candy and nuts for Christmas. I am 8 years old.

Your friend, Martha Lou Marchiel,
Conception Junction, Mo.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll, pencil box and some nuts.

Your friend, Norma Phelas,
Conception Junction, Mo.

Dear Santa: Please bring me some toy pans, orange and some candy. Bring Melba Louise a little duck.

Your friend, Maxine Bluie,
Conception Junction, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a sled, a horn, French harp and leather mittens, two shirts and some candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Bill Marchiel.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy four years old. For Christmas I want a fire engine, a chocolate bar, and some chewing gum. Please don't forget my grandma and grandpa. Your little friend, Verlin Young, Parnell, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 7 years old. I go to Green Valley school and am in the second grade. My teacher's name is Miss Lola O'Day. For Christmas I want a train on a track, a football, a gun, watch, a pocketknife, some candy and nuts. Your little friend,

Ernest Meyer, Clyde, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. I go to Green Valley school. I am 7 years old and in the second grade. Please bring me a doll, a set of play dishes and some candy and nuts. I will close hoping you are well and can come and bring us all something Christmas Eve.

Your little friend,
Alice Ellerman, Ravenwood, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a little stove, piano and trunk, too. Please don't forget Virgil Dean. I have been a good girl.

Verlee Zook, Pickering, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 9 years old. I am in the fourth grade. I go to the Martha Washington school. My Teacher's name is Miss Murphy. For Christmas I want a pair of roller skates, some candy and nuts. Please do not forget the other children.

Your little friend,
Frances Woodburn, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: This year I want a knife, pencil box and pop gun, a story book, paints and candy. From your friend,

Robert Farnan, Clyde, Mo.

Dear Santa: This year I want a pencil box, a rubber ball, a knife, candy and paints. From Leo Farnan, Clyde, Mo.

Dear Old Santa Claus: I am a little boy 8 years old. I go to the Ireland school. My teacher is Mrs. Ernest Neal. I am very fond of her. I would like for you to bring me a sled for Christmas, a sweater, cap, candy and nuts. I am writing for my little brother Loren. He wants an all-steel red wagon and a doll and books and candy and nuts. Don't forget our little brother Lester. Your little friends,

Leland and Loren Workman.

Dear Santa Claus: I am 9 years old and in the fourth grade. For Christmas I want a doll, sewing machine, some candy, nuts and oranges. Your friend,

Geraldine Wiley Maryville, Mo.

Dear Old Santa Claus: I am glad you are coming soon. I am 7 years old and in the second grade. For Christmas I want a doll, a piano and some candy, nuts and oranges. I have a little brother. He is two years old. He wants a kiddy-kar, a train, a horse with new heels, candy and oranges. And don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your little friends,
Marceline and Galen Wiley,
Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? I am nine years old. I go to Fairview school. I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a deck of rook cards, a football, French harp, candy, peanuts, and an orange. From your friend,

Joe Conley, Barnard, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am 12 years old and in the sixth grade. For Christmas I want a big doll with a pretty dress, red tablet, red pencil, double box of crayons, French harp with the letter G on it. I want some candy, nuts and oranges. My little sister wants a doll buggy, and doll. She also wants some candy and nuts. My teacher's name is Miss Croy. Please bring her some pretty things. Mamma wants some red house slippers. Mayfred wants a dolly and a single box of crayons, a blue tablet and blue pencil, a little box of stationery, some candy nuts and oranges. Papa wants some house slippers and a handkerchief. Mamma wants a handkerchief too.

Iva Wray, Pickering, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? I have been sick but I am going to be well for Christmas. I would like to have a big doll, a pair of beads, a wrist watch, candy, peanuts and oranges for Christmas. From

Louise Conley, Barnard, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am 10 years old and am in the sixth grade at school. I would like to have some Bobbesy Twins books. I have Bobbesy twins and would like to finish the set. I also would like to have a new pair of gloves and anything else you bring me. Don't forget mother and father as I have no brothers or sisters.

Your little friend,
Florine Hubbard, Barnard, Mo.

Dear Mr. Santa Claus: I live at 515 S. Fillmore St. I have been sick and could not go up town to see you last Saturday but be sure and don't forget me Christmas eve. I want the "Bunny Brown" or the "Bobbesy Twins", books, a cabinet, broom, doll with bobbed hair and can walk, candy, all kinds of nuts, oranges and some games. I am 6 years old so please don't bring me any little tiny things. Don't forget Paul Cassell and Doris Fanning.

Your friend,
Betty Jane Tarpley, Maryville, Mo.
P. S. If your car or airplane breaks down just call daddy and he will fix it.

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? I want a sled, gun, pencil sharpener, fiddle, horn, pencil box, saddle and bridle for my pony, cap, ball, candy and oranges. Your friend,

Dale Farrens, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I will write what I would like to have for Christmas. I want a small Bible and a pair of slippers and candy.

Geneva Carpenter, age 10,
Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: For Christmas I would like to have a slate, slate pencil, pair of shoes, eversharp pencil, crayons, chalk, also candy, nuts, bananas and oranges. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your friend, Mabel Callahan.
P. S. My little sister wants a doll, doll buggy, also candy, nuts, bananas and oranges. Beulah Callahan.

Dear Santa Claus: I hope you are well because I want you to come to our school. We are going to have a Christmas tree over to our school. Please bring me a telescope, a story book some candy and nuts. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls and my little brother, Rolland Dean Hall. Bring him whatever you have for a baby.

Your friend,
Forrest Hall, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am glad you are coming tomorrow. I want to see you. I wish you would bring me a little coal bucket and shovel and a watch. Bro. Marvin wants a gun and knife and fork and spoon. Melvin wants a car and we want some candy and nuts. Please dont' forget our cousins, Billy and Joyce Walden and don't forget Joe Dobbins.

Your little friend, Melbourne Jenkins,
1201 E. Third St., Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 6 years old. I go to the Swallow school. I like my teacher fine; her name is Miss Merle Shambarger. For Christmas I want a story book, a pencil box, a pair of mittens and some candy and nuts, and don't forget my little brother and sister. Your little friend, Neva Rose Farmer, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl six years old. I go to the Rockford school. My teacher is Miss Ella Lee Decker. I am in the second grade. For Christmas I would like to have a sled and a mamma doll, candy and nuts, and don't forget all the other little girls and boys.

Opal Irene Masters, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a new pair of shoes, stockings, new hat, dress. I am 14 years old and I weigh 175 pounds. I want some candy, nuts and an orange. Mamma wants a new dress and some stockings and shoes. My big sister wants a new blue felt hat and stockings and a new dress. From your friend, May Branson,

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy not quite a year old. I am not old enough to write so my sister will write for me. I want a duck that will float, a little doll and a rattle. Don't forget my little friend, Ross Everett Musgrave, jr. Your little friend,

Elmer Dale Swanson, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 3 and one-half years old and would like for Christmas. My little brother three er, some dishes, knives and forks, table, doll bed and candy, nuts and oranges. Please don't forget daddy and mother and remember all the little boys and girls. I will be at Grandma Taylor's so bring my things over there. Your little friend, Ruth L. McPherson,

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I hope this cold weather is not going to keep you from coming to see me this Christmas, because there are several things I want. I have been an awfully good little boy. I can even work in the store when my daddy has so much to do. I do all I can to help my mother because she said the more I helped her the more you would bring me, so I am doing just as much as I possibly can. I have been getting up in the morning when I am first called and I go to Sunday school every Sunday. I want you to bring me a little wagon, a BB gun, a football, and a car that will take me to Maryville. Be sure and don't forget the other little boys and girls. Your friend,

Harold Loch, Pickering, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy seven years old. I have gone to Highland school a year and a half and have never been absent or tardy, so I am asking you to please bring me a new pair of shoes, coat and cap, drum, candy, oranges and nuts. Please remember all children. Your friend,

Hugh Mires, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a new shirt and overalls and new stockings. I want a football and musical horn, and some candy, nuts and an apple and an orange and Santa I want a French harp. I am 10 years old and I have been a pretty good boy. From your little friend, Darrel Branson, Maryville, Mo. P. S. Daddy wants a new pair of socks and a new shirt. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Dear Santa: I am going to write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a new pair of shoes and stockings, a new pair of overalls and a football. I want some candy, nuts and an an orange and nuts. And Santa I want a French harp. I have 9 brothers and sister. I am 12 years old. From your friend, Ray Branson, 107 East Second street, Maryville, Mo. P. S. My big brother, 15 years old, wants a violin some candy, nuts and an orange.

Dear Santa Claus: I hear you are going to be in town Friday night about 2 o'clock. I am going to write and tell you what my little brother and I want alls, stockings so I can go to school. years old and I am 5 years old. His name is Chester. He wants a little red hatchet. You can get them down town. I want a little horse and wagon, and Santa I want a new pair of stockings and shoes and a new pair of overalls, shirts, candy and nuts, an orange and an apple. And I want a new dress and new coat and stockings and mittens. A little set of dishes, a doll, candy and nuts and an orange and apple. From your little friend,

Pearl Branson, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pair of new shoes, shirt, overfor you to bring me a new doll, a dress. I also would like to have a little truck and a rubber ball, some candy, nuts, orange and an apple. Santa I forgot to tell you how old I am. I am 8 years old. I have been a pretty good boy. From your little friend, Clyde Branson, Maryville, Mo. P. S. My little baby brother is 8 months old. He wants a pink and white rattler, some new shoes, a new dress and a big stick of candy. His name is Charles Frederick Branson.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old. For Christmas I want you to bring me a ring, handkerchief, a doll ,some candy and nuts. I have two little brothers. Howard is 4 and Stanley is 3. They want a tricycle, handkerchiefs, box and a car, some candy and nuts. Yours truly,

Dorothy Linville, Quitman, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good little boy. I carry in the wood and cobs for pa and build all the fires. I go to bed every night at 7. I would like to have a mamma doll, a sack of peanuts and popcorn ball for Christmas. Don't forget my little friend, Bud. Your friend, Raymond Wagner.

Pickering, Mo.

Pickering, Mo.,
Dec. 16, 1926.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 5 years old. I see by the paper that you want all the little boys to be in Maryville at 2 o'clock Saturday to see you.

I will be there to tell you what else I want but be sure and bring me the bus from Alva Letts Store. I have tried to be a good boy.

Your little friend,
Harold Robert McGuire.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy four years old. Please bring me a little car that I can ride in, a new pair of red house slippers, lots of candy, nuts, and oranges. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Harold Raymond Frazee, Maryville.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a blackboard, house slippers, candy and nuts. Don't forget my little brother and sisters, and all the other little children.

Your little friend,
Katherine Wray, Pickering, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy five years old. I want a little car for Christmas and a little saxaphone and candy and nuts. Your little friend,

Harold Dean Davis, Barnard, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I go to school, and I am seven years old. For Christmas I want a cork gun, a ball and a lumber jacket, candy, nuts, oranges, and bananas.

Your friend,
Earl Ulmer, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: It is getting so near Christmas that I thought I would write to you. For Christmas I want a fountain pen, a pair of gloves, candy, nuts, and oranges. Don't forget Father and Mother.

Your friend,
Pauline Edwards, Maryville, Mo.
P. S. Don't forget my brother. He is twenty-two years old.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a doll, ball, a little rocking chair, and candy. Bring my baby brother a rattle.

Your friend,
Frances Lorine Treese, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy five years old. For Christmas I want a kiddy-kar, a BB gun, candy, nuts, a little gasoline engine, feed grinder, a string of beads for my little friend.

Your little friend,
George Drake, Parnell, Mo.

Maryville, Mo.,
Dec. 17, 1926.

Will you please bring me a sled, rattle box, chewin' gum, skates, new suit, and a taupe (wig). Don't forget my little friend, Spark Plug, his sock will be hanging close to mine.

Your big little friend,
Baldy Dean Partridge.

Maryville, Mo.,
Dec. 11, 1926.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been sick with the croup and won't get to come to town to see you, so will write you a letter.

I am a little girl three years old and live five miles south of Maryville.

My Daddy wants you to bring him a shirt, overalls and a watch. Mamma wants a tablecloth, sister wants a fountain pen, and please bring me some candy and an orange and anything else you want to

With lots of love, from
Virginia Lee Moody.
P. S. Don't forget My John.

Hopkins, Mo.,
Dec. 15, 1926.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am telling you. I have been an extra good boy this year. I want you to bring me a top, tinker toys, candy, gum, a pony and saddle. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your friend,
Earl Raymond Alexander.

Dear Santa: I have been sick a long time and my mother won't let me go out to play. Please bring me a lumber jacket, a pair of gloves, a few toys and a box of chocolates. My back gets tired when I have to dust so please bring me a back cover.

Your friend,
Joe Norris Dobbins
5 years old. Arkoe, Mo.
P. S. Don't forget Uncle Al.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been good for nearly two weeks. Please bring me a doll and anything else you can spare. Bring baby "Jimmie" something warm to wear for he is too little to play with toys. He has never seen you. Bring Donna Mary and Edward something, too.

Your little friend,
Doris Dobbins.
Age 4 year. Arkoe, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 6 years old. I go to the St. Patrick school. For Christmas I want a set of blocks, a toy elephant, candy, nuts and an orange.

Your little friend,
Frederick Doran,
Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 2½ years old. I want a pedal kiddy car, rabbit bedroom slippers, set of furs, set of dishes, a doll, a new dress, a little telephone and a pretty book. Bring me some candy, nuts and oranges, too. Bring my dolly a new dress, too. Don't forget the other little girls and boys.

Your little friend,
Tola Marie Reece.
609 East Fifth street, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 6 years old. I go to school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Condon. I make good grades. Please bring me a bicycle, a basketball, some candy and an orange. My tree is all ready.

Your friend,
Beverly Carpenter,
Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 8 years old. My teacher is Miss Welchel. I have not missed a day of school this year. I never mised a day last year, either. I want a sewing machine and some candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Thelma Jean Carpenter,
Maryville, Mo.
P. S. Do not forget all the other little children.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 6 years old. I go to the Jefferson school. Please bring me a pair of overshoes and some candy and nuts for Christmas.

Your little friend,
Treva Mae Seals,
Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa: I am a girl 11 years old. My name is Jessie Smith. I have a sister 3 years old and her name is Wanda Smith. I want a basketball, and a pair of tennis shoes and candy, fruit and nuts. My sister, 3 years old, wants a story book, dishes, and a doll and candy and fruits and nuts and don't forget the other boys and girls.

Yours truly,
Jessie Smith,
811 East Third street, Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 7 years old and I have a little sister nearly 2 years old. Her name is Bonnie Lou and my name is June. My little sister wants a set of ABC blocks, and a large picture book. Also a pretty little doll. I want a doll buggy and dishes. We both want our stockings filled with nuts, candy and some fruit. Santa Claus do not forget all the rest of the boys and girls.

Your friend,
June Smith, Maryville, Mo.
A Merry Christmas to all.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a B B gun, wagon and toy clarinet, candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Terrill Spoor,
8 years old. Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: For Christmas I want a watch and chair, erector set, pop gun and Bizzy Andy.

Your friend,
Junior Robey.
410 South Market St., Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: I am writing you a friendly letter asking for a lumber jacket, a 10-cent Kitty cat, two handkerchiefs and some candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Maude Catherine Hughbank,
Quitman, Mo.

Spain Halts Activities for Drawing in Christmas Lottery; $2,000,000 Chief Prize

Madrid, Dec. 22.—All Spain was waiting expectantly today for the drawing in the Christmas lottery, which contains the largest capital prize in the world—15,000,000 pessetas, or more than $2,000,000. For weeks thousands of persons have done little else but dream of the outcome of the lottery, hoping that it will make them suddenly rich.

The enthusiasm with which Spaniards await the results of the Christmas lottery is the same every year. The activities of the country were at a standstill for several hours. In streets, cafes and clubs, nobody dismissed politics or other questions.

Hours before the lottery numbers were to be announced the Casa de la Moneda building was surrounded by a big crowd. Others had no tickets but they were there to sell their places in the line at the last moment to those who had.

Spanish journalists have had one of their busiest days. Reporters have not slept for the past 24 hours. All the provincial correspondents are gathered in the Telephone Central rushing news all over the country.

In the famous "Puerta, del Sol," where newspapers have their bulletin boards, a big crowd made traffic absolutely impossible. Other squares and streets were also crowded. It is a habit in Madrid on such a day as this to walk out and even many housewives forget today their duties as such. Why should they work, any of them possibly at night may be the "Gordo" winners. They would in that case go to the most expensive restaurant to get a "royal" dinner.

Out of 60,000 issued tickets, there are 9,151 small prizes in addition to larger ones. The big prizes range in value from $2,142,857 to $42,857.

Each ticket costs 2,000 pesetas or $285. The only sure winner is the state which in this lottery has an income of over $5,000,000.

Bailey Lucky; Gets in 2 Days Work on Farm

Judge E. T. ("Dick") Bailey, well-known presiding judge of the county court, was around the courthouse awhile this morning, after driving in from his farm near Elmo, where he has been getting in his corn the last two days.

The Judge said that aside from putting in a couple of new batteries in his telephone, nothing exciting happened while he was away from the county seat and that he was unusually lucky, as he was able to stay out at his farm for almost two full day's work before being called to Maryville on county business.

Wabash to Replace Damaged Motor Car

Number 11 Passenger Demolishes One Used by R. E. Archer at Bedison.

The Wabash railroad has shipped another railway motor car to R. E. Archer, section foreman at Bedison, for the one which was destroyed by the morning passenger train No. 11 several days ago. This train was four hours and fifteen minutes late and Mr. Archer and his two workmen had gone out to work and the train hit the motor car.

The accident took place one mile east of Bedison and it was lucky no one was injured or killed. The train stopped as soon as possible but was going too fast to stop before hitting the motor car.

Trips Over a Foot; Woman's Hip Broken

Mrs. J. M. Manley Is Suffering in St. Francis Hospital Today—Resting Easier.

Mrs. J. M. Manley, 615 East Fourth street, today was in St. Francis Hospital suffering with a broken hip.

Yesterday she was making some purchases in the Townsend grocery store. She tripped over the foot of another customer. When she fell the bone below the joint of her right hip was broken. Mrs. Manley was at first taken home and then removed to the hospital where the fracture was reduced. She was reported resting easier this afternoon.

Lack of Credentials Stops a Solicitation

Chamber of Commerce Investigation of Persons Asking Donations Again Proves Value.

Maryville citizens were saved an unestimated amount of money yesterday by the policy of the Chamber of Commerce in requiring solicitors first to have their credentials approved.

A woman applied yesterday as a representative of the Rescue Army, Inc., of Des Moines, Ia. D. A. Caldwell, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, asked that she present credentials showing the organization's standing in its home city. This was enough. The women made no further attempt and there was no solicitation.

Mr. Caldwell, looking over his records to check up on the application, found that a similar solicitation had been attempted last year, that a querry had been sent to Des Moines, and that officials of that city not only repudiated the organization but ask that any of its representatives be held.

The demand for home city endorsement always has proved the most frequent stumbling block for fradulent or unworthy solicitors, Mr. Caldwell said.

Ontario is being overrun by snowy owls from the arctic, lately. Wise old owls!

Famous tie-ups: Ships, traffic, mails, red ribbons, holly, the Christmas packages for Aunt Emma's, and, oh yes, the mistletoe!

King Purnell on Stretcher

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were scattered in other buildings of the extensive estate.

In addition to the action against Purnell today, the seven cult members found with him at the time of his arrest face arraignment on charges of conspiring to obstruct justice. The state contends that in view of the capiases for Purnell's arrest which were issued in 1922, they were in duty bound to turn him over to authorities.

Operation of the House of David, with its spacious amusement resort, Eden Park, has been one of the "show places" of Benton Harbor for years. Male members of the colony, who all affect long, flowing beards, have organized an orchestra and band, as well as as a baseball team. They also operate and own a street car line in Benton Harbor.

In recent years, since legal pressure began to be felt, there have been evidences of dissension in the colony. It has been said that Purnell's grasp on affairs of the colony has been slipping and that "Queen" Mary has assumed the helm. On his recent arrest, however, Purnell gave every indication of being "King" Ben in fact as well as in name, although not the robust, commanding figure who formerly dominated its destinies.

R. W. Wachtel Again to Make Home at Graham

R. W. Wachtel, a former resident of Graham, has returned to Graham from California to be with his father, who is in poor health, and will follow his profession as auctioneer. Mr. Wachtel was born at Graham but went to Imperial Valley, California, in 1913. He has been conducting sales there and estimates that they will total more than 600.

Indian Fans Stand Behind Idol, Speaker

They Refuse To Condemn Him In Alleged Throwing Of Game With Detroit In 1919.

Cleveland, Ohio., Dec. 22.—The baseball fans who, in the hot summer days, are the most critical of their idols of the diamond, today turned to defend the name of Tris Speaker, former manager and star of the Indians.

Startled at first by the linking of the name of Speaker with gambling and "fixing" in the Detroit-Cleveland series in 1919, those who delight in deriding the great outfilder for his few misplays in the season refused to condemn him today.

"He loves baseball too well to throw a game," one of the most rabid of the Cleveland fandom declared, as enthusiastically as he would bounce a pop bottle at an ardent player. That was the general sentiment of Cleveland as the town tarried over its lunch to discuss the statement issued in Chicago yesterday by Judge K. M. Landis.

Tris was a saddened soul as he discussed the scandal with his friends. Immediately upon the announcement by the commissioner he issued a statement proclaiming his innocence.

The story of Hubert B. "Dutch" Leonard, former Detroit pitcher, which exposed a baseball scandal dating back to 1919, prompted the unexpected resignation of Tris Speaker several weeks age as manager of the Cleveland club and was a factor in the recently announced decision of Ty Cobb, Detroit manager, to quit the game, baseball officials tactily admitted.

Leonard asserted that he, Cob, Speaker and "Smoky Joe" Wood, pitcher for Cleveland, met "under the grandstand of Navin Field, Detroit, September 24, 1919 and agreed Detroit should win its game with Cleveland the following day, thus clinching third place in the American League pennant race.

Read the Want Ads.

ROWLEY GIVES HOLIDAY HINTS

FIRE CHIEF OFFERS ADVICE ON CHRISTMAS FIRE PREVENTION.

CANDLES NOT SAFE

Keep Tree Away From Heating And Lighting Fixtures, He Warns; Smokers Beware.

In consideration of the hazards which result from the celebration of Christmas, Burt M. Rowley, fire chief, has issued some fire prevention advice. It follows:

"If you want a candle in the window Christmas eve, use an electric one—others are not safe.

"If a Christmas tree is used make sure it is set up securely, and keep it away from heating and lighting fixtures.

"Use metal tinsel, flake asbestos, and powedered mica for snow effects instead of the highly dangerous paper clippings and cotton.

"Do not illuminate the tree with candles. Colored electric light assemblies are more ornamental and safer. A spotlight focused upon the tree, however, is the safest method of all, and it gives a pleasing effect.

"Smokers should be very careful with matches and smoking materials when they go near trees and decorations.

"Toys requiring alcohol, gasoline, or kerosene should be avoided.

"If anyone's clothing catches fire the victim should be promptly rolled up in a rug or wollen cloth to smother the flames. Care should be taken not to shut off the victim's breating.

"Merchants should keep their places of business free from waste material and should insist that employes keep clear all exits.

"A most important safeguard is to remove all evergreens immediately after Christmas. Aside from the tradition of bad luck attached to the keeping of evergreens in the home after New Year's day, they are, as they dry out, increasingly hazardous."

Mrs. Jennie Ralph Died This Morning

Following Services Here Today Body Will Be Taken To Fremont, Nebr. For Burial.

Mrs. Jennie Ralph, 90 years old, died at 4:20 o'clock this morning at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. E. T. Swanson, 402 East Third street. Mrs. Ralph received a fractured hip in a fall five weeks ago and death was caused by shock.

Funeral services will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the Price Funeral Chapel conducted by the Rev. R. E. Musgrave, pastor. A quartette composed of Mrs. F. P. Robinson, Mrs. R. E. Snodgrass, John Mutz and W. E. Goforth, of the Christian Church, will sing several numbers. The body will be sent tomorrow morning to Fremont, Neb., Mrs. Ralph's former home, for burial. A second service will be held there.

Mrs. Ralph was born Jan. 19, 1836, in Allegheny County, N. Y. She had made her home with her granddaughter in Maryville since the death of her daughter, Mrs. S. L. Cleland of York, Neb., more than two years ago. Eight other grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren and one brother, James Welstead of Cedar Bluffs, Neb., survive.

Mrs. Ralph had been a member of the Christian churches at York and Fremont, Neb., for forty years and was active in church work until failing health prevented.

Woman Wins $14,472 in Suit Against Sheriff

Kansas City, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Jennie M. Butler, Los Angeles, was awarded damages of $14,472.17 against Overton Gentry, former sheriff of Jackson County, by a jury in federal court here today. Mrs. Butler sued Gentry because of his alleged failure to serve notice of a suit on her.

Mrs. Butler, in 1910, obtained a judgment of $12,780 against Dr. H. H. Temple, who, she charged, misrepresented real estate he traded to her.

E. J. Lyle and Others Sued on $3,000 Note

Anna Boedecker today filed suit in the circuit court for the January term against Ellis J. Lyle and others, for the collection of a note. With interest, principal and attorney fees, she seeks collection of $3,825.94.

The petition states that the defendants gave a note for $3,000 at 8 per cent interest November 8, 1922, on which interest payments of $530 have been made, but that no part of the principal has been paid.

Campus Rebels

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by Virginia Scott

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE.

DEAN TIMOTHY BROWN of Pendleton University wages war on **JUDITH MARTIN**, young English teacher, because of her friendship for **ERIC WATERS**, radical student leader.

DR. DORN, astronomy professor, is attracted to Judith and tries to convert her to orthodoxy.

MYRA ALDRICH is jealous of Eric's attentions to Judith and turns her energies to vamping Dr. Dorn.

When Mrs. Brown is blackmailed by **"KITTY" SHEA**, town bootlegger, Judith befriends her, and asks Eric to silence Shea.

Shea is found dead in a creek, and a letter in his pocket leads to the arrest of Eric as material witness.

Mrs. Brown secures his release by providing an alibi for him which endangers her reputation. Her story is kept secret by the prosecutor.

Dr. Dorn calls on Judith in her classroom, and when Eric intrudes, throws him out of the room. Eric has been drinking and collapses in the hall.

Dean Brown insists that she take part in his reform campaign, which is to end with the mammoth revival meeting of Rev. Forrest Poole.

When she refuses, he tells her that his wife does not wish her to come to the house again.

Dean Brown tries to force her to take part in the great reform campaign he is planning.

When Eric sees Judith with Will Wetherel, his frat brother, in a tea shop, he calls her "Miss JUDAS," mockingly. She goes home almost hysterical, and finds a white envelope under the door.

After an unhappy scene with Eric, Judith goes to spend the evening with **EVE GERHART**, town widow. Eve tries to coax her to make friends with Eric and keep him out of the mad schemes he is forming, to defy the dean.

While they are talking, **WILL WETHEREL**, Eric's frat brother, rushes in, crying, "Eric and Dr. Dorn are beating each other to a pulp down the road!"

While Judith is talking with Eve Gerhart, a young widow, and friend of the radicals, Dr. Dorn and Eric fight in the road outside Eve's house, but are separated by passersby.

When Judith gets home, Eric is waiting for her. She goes for a ride with him, and he tells her she must marry him that night.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

CHAPTER XLV.

Judith's breath caught in her throat. Her eyes were on Eric's face. He sat motionless, meeting her gaze.

"Marry you!" she said, at last. "You're mad."

Eric shook his head. His eyes still held hers, stubbornly.

Frightened by the intensity of his gaze, Judith laughed, nervously. "Why Eric, you know we couldn't do that. It's an insane idea. You're joking, aren't you?"

Again he shook his head. "The clerk is waiting. I told him we'd be there by midnight."

This time there was a note of anger in Judith's laughter. "You seem quite sure of me, Eric. After all, it's MY wedding you're planning."

Eric tossed his head. "Stop stalling, Judith. We're not concerned with formalities. We both know you're going to marry me in the end. I want you to be with me, shoulder to shoulder, in this fight I've got ahead of me."

Judith looked at him anxiously. "What fight, Eric?"

He tossed the question aside. "That will wait. The issue right now is the wedding. I tell you the clerk is in his office, waiting."

His manner changed from imperiousness to pleading. "Why don't you give up these useless protests and come along, Jude?"

Judith laughed. "I'm afraid a marriage between us would be anything but peaceful, Eric. We've quarreled ever since we met."

"Well," he answered smiling, "we've had a lot of fun too. Listen, Jude, I promised that clerk twenty-five dollars to wait for us."

"I'd hate to make you lose twenty-five dollars. But, after all, you earned twenty dollars by kissing me once—so we're almost square." She laughed.

"That wasn't sporting of you, Jude," he said. "Heaven knows I've regretted that bet deeply enough, without you rubbing it in."

"Regretted it?" Judith mocked.

The next moment Eric had seized her and kissed her again and again, until she lay helpless and almost smothered against his shoulder.

Then he drew away roughly. "You should have known better than to tease me just now."

Very meekly, Judith straightened her hat and sat up against the back of the seat.

Eric was reaching for the gear shift lever. She watched him fascinatingly, while it shot it into low. "Go into reverse," said Judith. "I—I can't go to Earlham with you, Eric."

Without a word, he shifted to obey her. The car wheeled and edged in the narrow road and finally shot out into the road toward home.

Judith sank into the deep silence of the surrounding countryside. She moved her hand stealthily so that she could touch the shaggy, tobacco-scented overcoat beside her. Eric did not notice. She determinedly slipped her hand under his arm.

The lights of the town were winking into sight when at last he turned to her. "You're all beasts of prey, you women. You want to catch us, whether you eat us or not. You won't marry me, but you must keep me captivated. Turn me down cold one minute, and the next, madden me with little caresses which cost you nothing but tighten my chains.

"I'm sick of it." He lifted her hand from his arm. "I'm still in love with you, God help me, but I'll not be ruled by you any longer. From now on I live my own life, fight my own fights and devil take the hindmost."

Judith spoke coldly. "Since when have you been ruled by me, Eric? I hadn't supposed you were following my wishes when you drank and battled and kicked up trouble generally."

He almost snorted in his rage. "When I battled, you were glad. You gloated over my fight with Dorn tonight. It was just another sop to your vanity. You're not out of the jungle yet, you women. I suppose you'd only have liked it better if one of us had killed the other."

His last words checked the angry reply on Judith's lips. "What on earth do you mean?" she asked. "Why should I be interested in your brawls?"

He looked at her. "Because this particular brawl happened to be over you."

"Over me?" Judith's brows drew together. "What do you mean?"

Eric was driving nonchalantly. "I'll not tell you any more. It would only make you happy."

Judith sat back. They were entering Pendleton now, and the houses sat darkly on either side of the street. "Must be almost midnight," he said, casually. "I suppose you have your key."

She nodded.

"Tomorrow's a big day for me," he said, with an air of making conversation. "It's the climax of my fight. Sorry, I can't tell you more. I had hoped that you'd stand by me."

Judith's face softened. "Eric, don't plunge into anything insane. I don't know what you're planning. But I'm afraid for you. I'm really awfully fond of you."

He stopped the car and took her hand. "Jude, you DO care for me, I know. Why wouldn't you marry me tonight?"

"Because—because it was midnight and the whole plan seemed too wild and indiscreet."

"But some day you will marry me," he said, with an air of joyous finality.

Judith smiled at him. "Well,—perhaps!"

The Horace class was late in assembling next day. The building had been uneasy all morning, with the noise of hammers and hurrying feet. Workmen issued now and then from the main auditorium and came back with more planks for the extra seats they were building on the platform.

The class droned through its hour, twice interrupted by carpenters who wandered in, ladder and hammer in hand, to adjust lights and flags at the windows.

Eric's seat was vacant. Judith found herself glancing uneasily at the door, whenever steps approached in the hall, but Eric did not come.

The Horace students had filed out and she was alone in the room, tidying her desk preparatory to going home. Outside, a sodden rain was sputtering down the gutters and splashing on the window sills. Judith could see two wretched pigeons huddled in a cranny of the building, mere headless balls of wet feathers.

The door swung back and Eric entered. Looking up from her papers, Judith saw his rumpled yellow hair and flushed cheeks.

"He was waving a telegram aloft. "Jude, we're going to win," he cried. "This is Timothy's death knell." He flourished the yellow envelope.

"What's it all about, Eric?" she inquired.

"My plan to spoil the revival meeting. It'll ruin him and your Dr. Dorn, if we put it over. Beastly hypocrits!"

He was standing in front of her now, looking eagerly into her eyes. "You're coming with us, aren't you, Jude?"

Judith looked out the window. The wet pigeons had not moved. "And afterwards, what?" she asked.

"Afterwards, we'll leave this old school, get married and live happily ever after. My dad will stake me till I get on my feet. Will you, Judith?"

His eyes, green and brilliant, implored her.

Judith let her gaze fall to her desk. "I'm sorry, Eric. I can't go back on my contract with the college. It wouldn't be good ethics."

He flung away from her, turning to stare at her with blazing eyes. Then he was gone.

Dr. Peter Dorn was waiting in the Stedway parlor when Judith reached home. He rose and held out his hand. Judith came in slowly, giving him a questioning glance. "How do you do, Dr. Dorn?"

"I've come," he said, "to make an apology."

"An apology?" she repeated coolly. "What have you done to require one?"

Dr. Dorn twisted his hat. "It's not so much for anything I've done, as for something I've thought."

She watched him, wholly mystified. "I asked Waters about it last night. You see, I was passing the house one night last fall, and I saw a man climbing down from your room."

Judith threw her head up. "And you thought—?"

The professor bowed his head. "Yes," he said, miserably, "I did."

(To Be Continued).

Dr. Dorn so far has been pretty much of a blunderer. In the next chapter he makes a startling proposal.

HARMONY

The Reverend Mr. Uht, of Ravenwood preached at the morning hour last Sunday. The theme was, "What is your life worth" He discussed the true values of life in a very interesting and instructive way. Fay Woodson Null brought Rev. Uht out from Ravenwood and after the services took him to his home.

The Superintendent of the Sunday School, B. K. Lewis, was unable to be present Sunday morning on account of sickness.

A large number from this neighborhood were trading in Maryville last Saturday, but not nearly so many were present at church the next morning.

Pretty rough roads last week; almost as rough as the brick pavements in Maryville.

R. V. McKee was delivering hogs in Ravenwood last Tuesday.

The funeral of Ernest Thomas was held at the home of his son, Claude Thomas, near Gaynor City, last Wednesday. A short service was held at the home, the funeral sermon being preached by the Reverend Mr. Bean of Ravenwood, at the Baptist Chruch at Orrsburg, and interment was in the Orrsburg cemetery. Mr. Thomas was well and favorably known in this section of the county, having lived in this vicinity the most of the time for the last forty years. He had been a member of the Harmony Church for about the same time and a quartet from that church furnished the music at the funeral. Mr. Thomas has been in failing health for some years.

Wilbur Cox was in Maryville last Wednesday forenoon.

Arthur Hunt, who has been quite ill with pneumonia for several weeks, is reported convalescent. The following neighbors assisted in husking out his corn last Thursday; Arta Craven, B. S. Cox, L. A. King, Perry Onstott, Elmer Barrock, Mitt Wilson, Grover Moore, John Edwards, Shube Coffelt, Alfred Hunt, Alva Hunt, Ernest Rhodes, Hubert Null, I. E. Miller, Otis McCall and John Green. At noon dinner was served to the "Good Samaritans".

Byrd Edwards was on the sick list last week.

Word was received here last week that Mrs. Basil Caple of Maxwell, Ia., was in a Des Moines hospital for treatment, but the nature of the trouble was not learned. Mrs. Caple was formerly Miss Charlotte Green.

Mrs. Maude Hunt, who was helping as nurse during the sickness of Arthur Hunt, returned home last week.

The Ladies Aid Society held their annual Christmas party at the church Monday afternoon. A program consisting of readings and music was followed by a social hour, in which the various members performed stunts to the amusement of the spectators. Presents were exchanged between the members, and at the close refreshments were enjoyed. The program committee consisted of Mrs. Daisy Null, Mrs. Nannie Harbison, Mrs. Stella Lewis, and Mrs. Lottie Wells. The next meeting will be held January 3, 1927.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Waldier died at 3 a. m. Monday morning. A short service was held at the home after which the little body was laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery at Parnell.

Eldon King, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. King, suffered from an acute attack of appendicitis and a hurried operation was performed at the St. Francis hospital late Saturday evening. The appendix was ruptured and Eldon is in a very critical condition at this writing. The family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wells are enjoying a new Chrysler car.

Several of the neighbors of L. E. Murray met at his place Friday Dec. 17 and finished husking his corn that he had been unable to work at because of sickness in the family. The following were present: B. S. Cox, Wilbur Cox, Frank Griffey, Irvin Patterson, Eugene Flanary, Art Craven, Wilson Ferguson, Edgar Flanary, Bard Flanary, E. R. Besco, Alva Pride, Lloyd Casteel, J. E. Porter, R. V. McKee, Jose Kessler, and L. E. Murray. The following women assisted in serving dinner: Mrs. Edgar Flanary, Mrs. Mac Besco, Mrs. May Manning, Mrs. Alva Pride, Mrs. R. V. McKee and Mrs. L. E. Murray.

School Notes.

In our third debate of the season in the state league we won from Sheridan last Thursday evening at this place. Richard Heflin and Kathryn Lewis comprised our team this time. We have not yet received our pairing for the next debate in the state league, but in the district league we are to meet the Burlington Junction team, Jan. 16. In the debate last week, Fred Lewis of Maryville acted as judge to the satisfaction of both sides. The extremely rough roads made the attendance rather small.

The scriptural play "Jephthah's Daughter," will be given by students from the high school, under charge of Mrs. Ford. This tragic story of Bible times will be given by costumed characters in a very interesting manner. This play will be the main item on the Christmas program. Friday evening, there will also be a Christmas tree.

The sale of Red Cross Stamps is now progressing in all our ward schools.

Christmas programs will be given in all the schools.

Evangelists to the Deaf

"Evangelists to the deaf" is the title the North Carolina Presbyterian Synod has conferred on Mr. and Mrs. Andrew C. Miller, Jr., of Shelby, N. C. The two spend all their time preaching—on their fingers—to unfortunates who, like themselves, are deaf and dumb

Mining Coal—By Hand

British coal mines lack up to date equipment, the miners complain. Perhaps they do—but probably none of them lacks it as much as this mine, at Gwersylt, North Wales. The shaft is only a few yards deep, and the workers are lowered to by hand daily. Its output is only a few tons a day.

Burlington Junction

(By J. Howard Thompson.)

The Rev. J. Howard Thompson returned from Sedalia, Mo., Saturday night, where he had gone, Wednesday of last week to attend a state meeting of Methodist ministers and laymen. He reports having had a most profitable time while away.

The cantata, given by the chorus of the Methodist church last Sunday night was all the greatest expectations had looked for and even more. Mrs. Caldwell and her chorus of 30 voices is commanding the highest praise for its rendition. Mrs. Hulda Nicholas presided at the piano and Berry Hann, Mrs. Berry Hann, Catherine Fleming Pauline Walker and Miss Audrey Boywhile Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Reese, Pouline Walker and Miss Audrey Boyer and Catherine Fleming and Helen Good, sang duets. These were all of the highest order. The house was packed to the doors. A silver offering amounting to $22.25 was taken and given to the chorus with which to purchase music for other occasions like this.

The bus companies have taken advantage of the poor railroad service given us by the Wabash Railroad, and have established a permanent line between here and the county seat, with Burlington Junction as the terminus of the line. The bus will leave here every morning at 6:30, and arrive in Maryville in time to connect with the St. Joseph bus leaving there about 7 a. m., and return to Burlington Junction in the evening after the arrival of the St. Joseph bus at Maryville, thus giving its passengers an entire day in either Maryville or St. Joseph as they may desire. We greatly appreciate this new plan.

Miss Catherine Ragsdale, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Ragsdale, who is a student at Camden Point College, came home last Saturday night for a two weeks Christmas vacation with home folks. She will return to her school duties after the holidays.

Charles Gaugh and family of Maryville were in town Sunday night visiting friends and incidentally attending the cantata at the Methodist church. Mr. Gaugh is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Gaugh, and is a former resident of this community. We are always glad to see Charley among us.

Mrs. Sara E. Lowry met with a very painful but not serious accident at the home of Prof. and Mrs. H. B. Rutledge last Monday afternoon. Her hand was caught in the electric wringer while doing the family wash. Mrs. Lowry is the mother of Mrs. Rutledge, and is making her home with her daughter and wanted to give the daughter, who is teaching in the schools here, a surprise by having the washing done when she returned from school in the afternoon, when the accident occurred.

J. D. Malvern of Quitman came a few days ago to spend some time with his daughter, Mrs. William Nicholas who with her husband, runs the Bakery. Mr. Malvern has recently suffered a carbuncle on the back of his neck, and has been seriously ill, and is yet quite sick, the carbuncle resulting in an infaction, which needs medical attention every day. He, however, is now on the road to recovery, and it is to be hoped he soon will be well.

Dr. Gaugh is not nearly so well as he has been up to a few days ago. He suffered a stroke ten years ago, and has been an invalid since. Six weeks ago, he took to his bed and has been confined since. He has grown worse the last week with little hope for his recovery. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Reese his two daughters, who live near him, are helping the mother care for him.

The warm weather of the last few days have greatly improved the roads in and around town. The patrolmen on the various roads leading into town, have been using the drags to a great advantage, so that motoring is again a matter of pleasure as well as comfort.

Miss Helen Good, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Good, who is a student in Baker University, at Baldwin, Kan., is home for her Christmas vacation of three weeks. She is a senior and will finish her work there in June. She attended services at the Methodist Church Sunday morning and night, and delighted the audiences with her solo singing.

Santa Claus arrived in Burlington Junction on schedule time with a great cargo of candy for the little folks, and some big folks, and had a great time with the children. It seems as if he knew many of them and expressed gladness in seeing them again. They all had a fine time in company with him.

The Sunday school of the Christian church will give their Christmas program and treat for their Sunday school in their church Friday night. A good program is being arranged and a record crowd is expected. In the matter of the treat, there will be plenty and to spare. The children of the Sunday school are looking forward to an unusual happy time.

The way of the transgressor is hard, is a saying not to be treated lightly. Two young men thought, last week, they could pull off the bootlegging stunt, here in town and get away with it. But our Officers are always alert, and looking for law violators. Consequently one of the young men fell into the clutches of the law, while the other leaped from a hay loft and thinks he safely eluded the officers. But his escape is only temporary. It pays to deal squarely with everything.

The work of scaffolding the interior of the Methodist church began last Monday and the work of inside repairing and beautifying will begin at once, and pushed forward as rapidly as possible. William James is doing the scaffolding and George West will do the plastering. Henry Browning and the two Hollis boys will do the decorating. This has been a long needed improvement.

The High School will give a Christmas program in the assembly room of the High School building, Thursday afternoon of this week. Christmas carols will be sung by the school. Kenneth Jones will render a cornet solo, Mabel Carmichael will read, Miss Pauline Walker will give a saxophone solo, and Rachel Graves will read. The following will sing as a quartet. Alberta Jones, Pauline Walker, Audrey Boyer, Catherine Fleming.

The writer of these items, wishes for every reader of the Democrat-Forum and Tribune great happiness and cheer during this Yule Tide. The Christmas season means much, or ought to mean much, to every one. It is the commemoration of God's greatest gift to the world. And it is to be hoped that all will be dominated with the age old spirit, namely, "it is more blessed to give than to receive." Let us be givers therefore, rather than receivers.

The Christmas spirit is having full sway in our community at this time. The grades in our public schools have caught the spirit, and are staging a most interesting program to be given in the assembly room of the High School building immediately after the concluding of the program to be given by the High School pupils, next Thursday afternoon. The general public is cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. John Houston entertained the Young Married People's club at their beautiful country home last Thursday evening. These meetings are always times of social enjoyment among the younger set. Mr. and Mrs. Houston are very enjoyable entertainers. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Berry Hann, Mr. and Mrs. Ramey Hann, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fordyce, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Graves, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Jones. At the close of the evening's enjoyment, delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

The two missionary societies of the Methodist church held a joint meeting Tuesday afternoon of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fleming. Mrs. Cossin assisted Mrs. Fleming in entertaining. The regular study of the societies was set aside, and the meeting was given over to a Christmas program. All present had a very fine time.

The Wabash railroad is minus a pump station, temporarily at least, the one having been in use for a number of years burning to the ground a few nights ago. E. J. Nichols has no idea how the fire got started, as he left the building at 9:45 p. m., to go to his home and at 11 o'clock the same night it was a heap of ashes. It will be rebuilt at once, it is understood.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nicholas were recently called to Tabor, Ia., to attend the funeral services of R. H. Crooks of that town. Mr. Crooks formerly lived here and had many friends in this community. Mr. Crooks was a cousin of Mrs. Nicholas.

Blame Tea for Ills

London—The enthusiasm of Londoners for tea has been somewhat dampened by a medical pronouncement that too much hot tea leads to inflammation of the stomach and to neuritis. Thousands of Britishers suffer from the latter complaint but up to now they have blamed it on the weather rather than on tea.

Read the Want Ads.

Just arrived — Car Franklin County lump, $8.50 to $9.00 per ton. Car high grade Illinois lump, $7.50 to $8.00 per ton.

WM. EVERHART.

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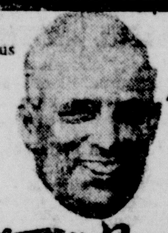

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We make all Trains, day and night. All new closed cars and careful drivers. We make country drives with driver or without. Will handle Gas and Oil after the first day of January.

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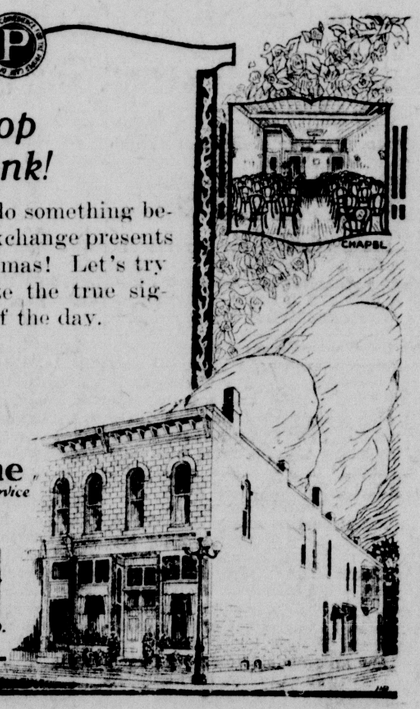
Let's Stop and Think!

LET'S do something besides exchange presents this Christmas! Let's try to visualize the true significance of the day.



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Calls answered promptly day or night.
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LOST 10

LOST—Black spotted sow pig. 40 to 50 lbs. Ring in nose.—Silas Kissinger, Hanamo 531.

LOST—At high school or between high school and 220 South Buchanan, pair dark rimmed tortoise shell glasses; in Dr. R. C. Person case.—Return to this office.

LOST—Pair of ladies, light brown kid gloves, with leather gauntlet. Phone Hanamo 765 or Mrs. Egley's Boarding House.

LOST—Sheet music, Saturday.—Return to this office.

LOST—P. E. O. Pin, engraved on back, Ethel Jeffers K. Mo. 23. Reward.—Return to this office.

AUTOMOTIVE

AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE 12

FOR SALE—1926 Special Dodge Sedan, 10 months old.—See Arnold Strong's, or call 116.

TWO GOOD VALUES

1924 Buick Master Six Roadster, A-1 condition.
1925 Ford Coupe. Good.

GEORGE McMURRY
East Side Square

Let Us Be Your

Santa Claus

We have more used cars than we have room for. These cars are priced to sell.

Two 1925 Ford Coupes.
One 1925 Ford Touring.
One 1924 Ford Touring.
Two Ford Trucks with Cabs.
One 1924 Chevrolet Roadster.
One 1923 Chevrolet Coupe.
Three cheap Ford Tourings.
One Studebaker Touring.
Two 1926 Ford Roadster.

Chromipe
For Your Radiator

See Fred Newlon for used cars

McDONNELL CHEVROLET CO.
114 West 2nd St.

READ For used cars WANT ADS

AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE 12

USED CARS

2—1925 Ford Coupes with ballon tires.
1—1923 Ford Coupe.
1—1925 Ford Touring, balloons and winter enclosure.
1—1925 Star Touring, balloons, snubbers, bumpers and motometer.
1—1924 Ford Touring, starter and good clincher tires.
1—1923 Ford Touring, starter and original tires.
1—1923 Ford Touring with starter and good tires.
1—1925 Ford Roadster, starter. Only about 2,000 miles on it.
1—1923 Essex Touring. Good shape. 5 good tires.
1—1923 Essex Coupe. Good shape. 5 new tires.
1—1927 Chevrolet coach. New disc wheels and bumpers.
1—1927 Whippet Coach. Will give good trade.

CAMPBELL MOTOR CO.
Kramer Garage L. L. Clary, Mgr.

Outstanding
USED CAR VALUES

1—Ford Coupe, good condition.
2—Ford Tourings.
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1—Overland, 5 new tires, looks like new

SEWELL AUTO COMPANY
Willys-Overland Fine Motor Cars

GUARANTEED FORD USED CARS

1924 Coupe, 5 new cord tires.
1925 Touring, cord tires.
1924 Runabout, with winter top.
1924 Touring, new paint, demountable rims.
1925 Truck, cab and stock rack.

BARMANN AUTO COMPANY
Maryville's Ford Agent For 18 Years.

Dependable Used Cars

That is just what you get when you buy here. Look at this list.

1—1926 Dodge Sedan.
1—1924 Dodge Sedan.
1—1923 Dodge Touring.
2—1919 Dodge Tourings.
1—1923 Ford Coupe.
2—Graham Trucks.
1—G. M. C. Truck.

Terms

ARNOLD STRONG
Motor Company
Second at Buchanan

BUSINESS SERVICE

THE TRADES 19

AT YOUR SERVICE
For tin and furnace work, auto radiator repairing.
HEIDEMAN & LEET
East Side Square
Manufacturers of Hog and Poultry Waterers.

ICE, COAL, WOOD, ETC. 20

ECONOMY IS A GOOD SLOGAN
It is not economy to consider price without quality. When you buy coal from Shoemaker-Bovard you get the benefit of their experience and personal guarantee as to quality and service.
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Kentucky Nut.
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It is useless to
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Illinois Nut Coal

$6.50 and $7.50 per ton

Glover & Alexander

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MONEY TO LOAN 31

FEDERAL FARM LOAN

5 per cent

For 36 years or less at your option

See or write

A. L. PISTOLE
Secretary-Treasurer
Hopkins, Mo.

Read the Want Ads.

SHOP-O-GRAPH

SEASONABLE SUGGESTIONS FOR SHOPPERS

A PRETTY line hand made linen handkerchiefs, luncheon sets, pillow cases and boudoir pillows. Mrs. Godsey's Beauty & Art Shoppe.

AFTER THE show stop in at the Missouri Palms. The cats are "keen."

A beautiful assortment of luncheon sets, reasonable priced, at the Rhodes Music Shop.

A COMPLETE line of Candy in fancy boxes and cedar chests. Candyland.

AFTER the fire — it's too late. B. E. Costello Ins. Agency, Hanamo 197.

A Good sign more than pays for itself. Ellis Meek, Hanamo 197.

AUTOMOBILE Insurance. Fire, theft, collision, property damage, liability. See us for all kinds of insurance. The Sisson Loan & Title Co.

ALCOHOL and glycerin for the radiators. Gaugh & Evans.

BALANCE STAFFS—Special now until Christmas, $2. Satisfaction guaranteed.—R. T. Kabel, Shackelford's.

BRUMBAUGH Radio Shop. The only exclusive professional Radio Shop in Northwest Missouri. Room 6 over Raines Store.

CROW STUDIO the photograph studio that adds the "personal Service" to their work.

CURTAIN and top work, repairing and renewing. Always guaranteed.—Bagby Top Co., East Side Square.

CANDIES—Packed in boxes, 50c, 75c and $1.00. Fudges, four bars for 25c. Mrs. Daniels, Hanamo 478.

DURALAC for your furniture, floors, linoleum. Howard Wray Hardware Co.

EL RETINA Cigars are sure to please dad. Ask at your dealers.

EARN your Christmas money by selling your junk, rags, papers, magazines, iron, junk radiators and storage batteries. One block east of city scales. Hanamo 518, Farmers 100. Maryville Junk Yards.

FORD HEATERS 75c and up for Fords. Heaters and floormats for all makes of cars. E. C. Bagby Auto Co.

For Radio Service and Batteries. Tubes rejuvinated free at the Rhodes Music Shop.

Have your Watches and Phonographs repaired at the Rhodes Music Shop.

GOLD FISH, Ornaments and bowls. Sewing machines. Repair work. Strader and Clapper.

HOMEMADE Bread is "Quality First Bread." Buy it at all stores.

IF IT IS of Value, Insure It. John Z. Curnutt, Mutz Building.

JACK PARRY Produce House. 108 East 6th. Call Farmers phone 61 for prices.

KRAMER Shoe Rebuilding. Return postage paid anywhere. "We have the machinery."

NEW ALADDIN Mantle lamps. Burns 94 per cent air, 6 per cent oil, priced $3.50 each. Case Furniture Exchange.

NODAWAY Brick Ice Cream is "Pure That's Sure." Ask your dealer for it.

PICTURES that make the Home more "Homey." Price Furniture Co.

PHOTOGRAPHS the only gift that you alone can give. Solve your gift problem now. F. R. Marcell, Photographer.

PHOTOGRAPHS—Day or night. Our cars will call for customers. Carpenters Home Studio, phone 466.

RED GRANGE footballs $1.75 to $2.75. Also basketballs at various prices. Donahue & Smith Hardware.

REMINGTON and Peters shotgun shells. Complete stock. Donahue & Smith, South Side.

RADIO supplies and sets. See and hear our line of speakers. We can please you. Lloyd Radio Shop.

RADIOLA the set with Superior Tone Quality. Price Furniture Co.

SPECIAL $1.00 bottle Vanties Bath Salt for 79c. Kuchs Bros. Jewelry.

TOASTED SANDWICHES—Hot Chili, Hot drinks. Always the best at Lewis'.

T-GRIP CHAINS are cheaper in the long run. Barmann Auto Co.

TOP and side curtain repairing and renewing. Lanning Tire, Top, Paint and Varnish Co., 1st at Main.

WROUGHT IRON Vases, Candlesticks, Whatnots, Ash Trays, etc. Raines Gift Shop.

WILLARD Radio and car battery service. Fisher Battery Station, 719 East 4th.

LIVESTOCK

POULTRY AND SUPPLIES 33

IF YOU have any Geese or Ducks to dress for Christmas call Dave Cornett at 486.

FOR SALE—Barred Rock Cockerels, $1.50 each.—Mrs. Ralph White, Farmers 17-18.

HORSES, CATTLE, SWINE 34

FOR SALE—30 head of Fall shoats. Hal Catterson.

MERCHANDISE

ARTICLES FOR SALE 37

NOTICE

A Carload of the

Famous Honey Dew Pig Meal

On track at Barnard soon. Phone your orders to:

H. L. GROVES
Barnard, Missouri
Phone 2411.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS 37B

FOR SALE—Rugs.—Mrs. Bosley, 110 East Cooper Street.

WANTED TO BUY 38

WANTED—Brown Alfalfa Hay—Jim Andy Ford.

RESIDENCES AND ROOMS

APARTMENTS AND FLATS 39

FOR RENT—January 1st, new five-room apartment, West Side.—Chas. Hyslop.

FARMS, LANDS FOR RENT 41

FOR RENT—40 acres of stocks and pasture.—Farmers 11-21.—Chas. Cockayne.

HOUSES FOR RENT 42

FOR RENT—A six room modern house. Chas. Hyslop.

FOR RENT—6-room cottage.—See Dr. K. C. Cummins.

Store READ WANT ADS wanted

HOUSES FOR SALE 47

FOR SALE

Seven-room modern house, on paved street, West Side, $4,000.
Five-room new cottage, full lot. Terms, $2,300.
200-acre fine farm to trade for smaller place.
Fine modern 8-room house to trade for farm, close to town.

We write all kinds of Insurance.

YEO BROTHERS

PRAIRIE VIEW ITEMS.

Donald Blackney was absent from school Friday.

Sidney Ewing helped Joe Workman chop wood Monday.

Mack Ulmer and his sons, Forrest and R. Q., are shucking corn for F. D. Hornbuckle.

Otto Kluth trucked hogs to St. Joseph Saturday for Oakley Kinder. Mr. Kluth was accompanied by his son, Oliver.

The school began hot lunches last Wednesday.

Charley Hornbuckle finished shucking corn Saturday.

Bert Blackney has been chopping wood this week.

Our Christmas program and tree will be Friday afternoon.

LIBERTY.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Neal were shopping in Maryville Thursday.

Ernest Stalling who is attending the State Teachers College spent from Friday evening until Sunday evening with home folks.

Pete Bloom and Jim Lowe drove to Maryville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wray Parker are the proud parents of a son born December 18.

Dick Stalling sent a truck load of hogs to the St. Joseph Market Monday and a load of cows Tuesday.

Mrs. Beal of Denver, Mo., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wray Parker and Mr. Parker this week and helping to care for her little grandson.

Everett Neal shipped cattle and hogs to St. Joseph Monday. He drove down Tuesday morning to see them sold.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Goforth and daughters, Genevieve and Vaughneille, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fanning Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stalling helped Jim Aldrige butcher Monday.

About twenty-three friends and neighbors went in Monday and gathered Chelmer Cling's corn while he was at Maryville with their son, Lavern, who underwent an operation Monday.

Miss Maggie Bloom was shopping in Maryville Saturday evening.

Herb Waren is moving to the Jergenson farm this week. Ray Keyser of near Graham is moving to the Hagan farm.

Miss Mayme Bloom was shopping in Maryville Tuesday.

Graham

The Misses Winona Zimmerman, Grace Morris and Frances Leeper motored to Mound City Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Noblet and Etta Myrl Lemley were shopping in Maryville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Acklin and Miss Opal Riley motored to St. Joseph on Thursday of last week.

Ralph Scott was a St. Joseph visitor Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. G. L. Mendenhall, who underwent an operation in the Saint Francis Hospital in Maryville two weeks ago, returned to her home Sunday. Her condition was much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conway and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gex, were Maryville visitors Monday.

Miss Maybel Williams spent the week-end in Bolckow with her parents.

Clifford Riggs and Leonard Morris returned Saturday from Kansas, where they have been employed for the past few months.

Daphine Ripley was shopping in St. Joseph Saturday.

Mrs. Marvin Mowry will leave Friday evening to spend the holidays with her Sister, Mrs. Ed VanCura, and family in Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Findley were St. Joseph visitors Monday.

Miss Esther Fordyce will leave Friday evening for Cookwood, Ill., where she will spend the holidays.

Mrs. E. G. Hilsabeck and son, spent Saturday in Maryville and Barnard visiting relatives.

Miss Pine Morgan, who has been seriously ill for the past week, is reported to be about the same.

Parnell

(Willing Workers.)

Dr. and Mrs. H. Day were Maryville business visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dowell of Maryville were 6 o'clock dinner guests of Mrs. Nell Jones Saturday.

Mrs. Julia L. Jones and granddaughter, Miss Pauline, were shopping in St. Joseph Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orley Stutesman of Torrington, Wyo., came Monday for a two weeks' visit with relatives.

Miss Clara Taylor, Mrs. Raymond Teale, Mrs. Elsie Burch and son, Vernon, were guests at the home of Misses Ruth and Frances Barnes Sunday.

The school is sponsoring a community Christmas tree at the opera house Thursday night. An entertaining program will be rendered by the school.

Miss Goldie Prather was a Sunday dinner guest of Dorothy and Lillian Cox.

Mrs. Cleo Ellis and little daughter of Sheridan spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Georgia Gaynor.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Teale of Mt. Ayr, Iowa, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Welch.

George Miller of Torrington, Wyo., came Sunday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Joe Dobbins of Alanthus, Mo., visited Parnell Tuesday and was accompanied home by Miss Minnie Powers, who will visit her during the holidays.

Mr and Mrs. Geo. Wilson were Maryville visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Clarence Fitzsimmons and little daughter, Mary Estelle, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Welch for the past two weeks, returned Sunday to her home in Denver, Colo.

Mrs. G. L. Felton and Mrs. Clifford Herndon were shopping in St. Joseph Monday.

Mrs. J. S. Matteson entertained her Sunday School class with a Christmas party at her home Friday night. Games and contests were indulged in and a short program given by Joe Jr. and Frank Matteson. After which each guest was presented with a beautiful hand made handkerchief. Delicious refreshments were served and all had a very delightful time. Those present were Misses Lillian Cox, Clara Taylor, Iness New, Dorothy Cox, Frances Barnes, Goldie Prather, Alta Hart, Letha Harris, Lucile Herndon, Idrez Batson, Virginia Payne, Pauline Jones, Stella Kallenbach, Dr. and Mrs. Matteson and sons.

Mrs. Maude Cheney and children of Nebraska are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Adams.

DAILY MARKET REPORT

ST. JOSEPH LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 10,000; market 5c to 10c off. Top, $11.45; bulk, $11.15 to $11.40.

Cattle.

Receipts 1,200; market 15c to 25c up.
Bulk of steers, $7.50 to $9.50.
Top, $10.50.
Cows and heifers, $3.75 to $10.
Calves, $5 to $10.
Stockers and feeders, $6 to $8.25.

Sheep.

Receipts 1,500; market, lambs 10c to 15c higher, sheep steady.
Lambs, $12 to $12.65.
Ewes, $5.50 to $6.50.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK

Hogs.

Receipts 7,000; market weak.
Bulk, $11.15 to $11.45.
Heavies, $11.10 to $11.45.
Butchers, $11.20 to $11.45.
Lights, $11 to $11.30.
Pigs, $11 to $11.50.

Cattle.

Receipts 5,000; market steady.
Prime fed steers, $10.50 to $12.75.
Dressed beef steers, $7.50 to $10.50.
Western steers, $7.75 to $10.50.
Southern steers, $6.25 to $8.75.
Stockers and feeders, $6 to $8.75.
Cows, $3.75 to $7.25.
Heifers, $6 to $11.25.
Bulls, $4.50 to $5.75.
Calves, $6 to $11.

Sheep.

Receipts 2,000; market strong.
Spring lambs, $11.25 to $12.35.
Yearlings, $9 to $10.
Ewes, $4.75 to $6.50.
Wethers, $7 to $8.
Stockers and feeders, $11 to $11.75.

EAST ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK

Hogs.

Receipts 3,500; market steady to 10c higher.

Cattle.

Receipts 3,000; market steady to 25c higher.

Sheep.

Receipts 1,000; market higher.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Hogs.

Receipts 16,000; market, trade slow, market steady.

Cattle.

Receipts 10,000; market 15c to 25c up.

Sheep.

Receipts 11,000; market, fat lambs steady to strong.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK

Hogs.

Receipts 11,000; market slow, 10c to 15c lower.

Cattle.

Receipts 3,300; market, fed steers and yearlings strong to 15c higher.

Sheep.

Receipts 8,000; market, lambs mostly 25c higher.

Chicago Grain Table.

Wheat—Open	High	Low	Close	Yest.
Dec. 1.42¼	1.43	1.40¾	1.41	1.42¾
May 1.41¼	1.41⅞	1.40½	1.40⅝	1.41⅞
July 1.33½	1.33⅝	1.32⅛	1.32¼	1.34
CORN—				
Dec. .71½	.75	.73⅞	.73⅞	.75¼
May .83⅛	.83½	.82¼	.82¼	.83¾
July .86¼	.86⅜	.85¼	.85¼	.86⅝

Chicago Cash Grain.

WHEAT—No. 3 red, $1.36½; No. 2 hard, $1.43¼ to $1.45¼; No. 3 hard, $1.41¼.

CORN—No. 2 yellow, 77 to 78c; No. 3 yellow, 75c to 76c; No. 3 mixed, 72c; No. 2 white, 75½c to 77c; No. 3 white, 72¾c to 75½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 51c to 54c.

HAY—Timothy, $5 to $5.75; clover, $25 to $32.50.

RYE—No. 3, 93¼c.

BARLEY—62c to 67c.

Chicago Cash Grain.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Local selling and some profit taking forced all grains to a lower level on the Chicago Board of trade today.

Wheat was in strong contrast to yesterday's sharp advances, with prices averaging ⅝ to 1¾ cents lower throughout the session, closing 1¼ to 1¾ cents under Tuesday's figures.

Corn was also reactionary, closing 1⅝ to 1½ cents lower.

Profit taking was apparent in the oats pit, causing this cereal to decline ¼ to ¾ cent under yesterday's close.

Provisions closed lower.

Kansas City Grain, Hay, Produce.

WHEAT—Receipts 67 cars; market for hard and red, ½ to 1½ cents lower; No. 2 hard, $1.36½ to $1.40; No. 3 hard, $1.34 to $1.38; No. 2 red, $1.34 to $1.34½; No. 3 red, $1.31 to $1.33.

CORN—Receipts 24 cars; market unchanged to 1c lower; No. 2 mixed, 74c to 75½c; No. 3 mixed, 72c to 74½c; No. 2 yellow, 76½c to 78c; No. 3 yellow, 74c to 76c; No. 2 white, 74½c to 76c.

OATS—Receipts 6 cars; market unchanged; No. 2 white, 48½c to 51c.

RYE—No. 2, 68c.

HAY—Prairie, choice, $15 to $16.50; timothy, No. 1, $16 to $17; alfalfa, choice, $22 to $23.50.

Eggs, 40c; selected 47c.

Butter, 52c; packing, 22c.

Hens, 22½c; turkeys and young toms 40c; broilers, 24c; ducks, 22c; geese, 15c.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Cream, per lb.	48c
Eggs, per doz.	37c
Hens, heavy, per lb.	19c
Hens, light, per lb.	15c
Springs, heavy, per lb.	18c
Springs, Leghorn, per lb.	14c
Roosters, per. lb.	9c
Geese, per lb.	13c
Hides, per. lb.	5c

TO OUR FRIENDS:

At the approach of Christmas and the New Year the spirit of the Yuletide turns our hearts to thoughts of friends, and friendship, and thus toward you.

Aside from our appreciation of the part you have played in our business prosperity during the past year, we wish for you, as a friend, the same kind of Christmas that has warmed the hearts of kindly folks throughout the past generations.

May we pledge anew our determination to be your faithful servant, and to deserve, in turn, your faith and friendship.

SUPERIOR CLEANING CO.

HANAMO PHONE 80
FARMERS 73

Send it to a Master DYER AND CLEANER

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DYERS AND CLEANERS

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE: A Good Sign

HM-M-M-- THAT'S FUNNY- WONDER WHAT SANDY'S SNOOPIN' AROUND THAT CLOSET FOR- MUST BE SOMETHIN' SPECIAL IN THERE OR HE WOULDN'T BE MAKIN' ALL THAT FUSS-
ANNIE!
ANNIE!
WHO EVER WOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF HER LOOKING IN THERE?
LEAVE IT TO ANNIE TO KNOW EVERYTHING THAT'S GOING ON-
YEP- SOMETHIN' FUNNY 'BOUT THAT CLOSET ALL RIGHT OR THEY WOULDN'T HAVE CHASED ME AWAY SO FAST-LESSEE- GEE- ONLY THREE DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS- NOW I WONDER- THAT CLOSET'S GOT SOMETHIN' TO DO WITH CHRISTMAS, I BETCHA, SANDY- YOU JUST WAIT AN' SEE-
Wed December 22
HAROLD GRAY

POINT CAGERS FOR ALBANY

MARYVILLE TEAMS OUT TO AVENGE 1925 DEFEATS.

GAMES FOR TOMORROW

Double-Header Card To Start At 7:30 In High School Gym—Paul Burks Referee.

Two fast High School basketball games are promised for tomorrow night at the Washington school gymnasium when Albany High school representatives will be on hand to compete with Maryville High School boys and girls teams. Wallace Croy, Spoofhound coach, said today that the games will start promptly at 7:30 p. m. and that Paul Burks, S. T. C. flash, will be the extra man on the court.

It was just a year ago that the Spoofhound quintet and sextet went to Albany and met defeat. Practically the same teams that battled there will be in the line-ups tomorrow night. J. Puckett, brother of B. Puckett of the local girls team, is coaching the Albany girls and will no doubt point the Albany team for the Maryville game.

Tomorrow's card will be the first time the Spoofhound cagers will meet foreign competition, the Alumni game being the initial contest of the season.

Coach Croy has spent most of this week's drill periods in ironing out the faults noted against the former High School stars. A finishing on the offense was concentrated upon by Croy as well as tightening up of the defense.

The Spoofhound mentor stated today he would start the same line-up as he did last week, Petty, captain, and L. Smith at guard; Kissinger at center; Swinford and McMurry, forwards. Wilson, Alsup, John Smith and Ray Keever, have been exhibiting good basketball and their performances during the week's practice has insured them of some work in the Albany game.

The Maryville girls starting line-up: L. Miller, jumping center; C. Murray, running center; N. Smith and F. Wray, guards; C. Wray and R. Dell Chick, forwards.

Miss Bookman, coach, promises, however, that several others on the first squad will be seen in action against Albany, including E. McMurry and E. Stanfield, centers; and P. Lauber and M. Appleman, guards. B. Puckett, who captained the girls two years ago, may possibly be substituted for two or three minutes.

There are 20 girls, mainly underclassmen, who are reporting for practice from two to three times a week. They are divided into squads and come to the gymnasium to give competition to the regulars at different times during each week.

The yearlings reporting to Miss Bookman will have a difficult time to break into the "big league" this year, as there are seven girls, who have won letters, diligently practicing every day to perfect their play. However, Miss Bookman expects to schedule some games for the High School girls in the second string.

The coach was not especially pleased with the showing of the Maryville girls against Skidmore's team last week and is alternating her "Eleven Regulars" to find a combination that can perfect the best team work.

American Toys for Children This Year

U. S. Manufacturers Have Overcome Pre-War Supremacy of Germany, Figures Show.

Washington, Dec. 22.—American children will play with American made toys this Christmas.

The pre-war supremacy of Germany in the world's toy market has disappeared and the United States now is the largest manufacturer of toys, the Department of Commerce announced.

Toys produced in this country in 1925 were valued at $75,000,000, an increase of $60,000,000 since 1914 commerce department figures show. American toy production is twice that of Germany, and less than five per cent of the toys sold in this country now are made in Germany. United States toys experts are relatively small, most of the production going to satisfy the demands of the American children.

Raymond T. Andrews, formerly stationed here with the State Highway Department, stopped in Maryville last night to visit friends. He left this morning for Coin and Conway, Ia., where he will do some engineering work for the Atkinson Paving Company of Watertown, S. D. He is now enrolled in the engineering department of the University of Missouri.

Loren Egley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Egley, will return Friday morning from the School of Medicine of St. Louis University for a holiday visit.

Vacation to Be Short for Bearcat Basketball Squad

For several reasons the State Teachers College basketball squad will have an abbreviated Christmas vacation. The players had their last practice before Christmas this afternoon, but they will return the Monday following the twenty-fifth for a series of hard drills in the cage game, preparatory to the opening of the season early in January.

Coach H. Frank Lawrence will go to Cameron for Christmas vacation, and he, too, will have to cut his good time short.

Because the Bearcats aren't in midseason form by a long ways. After watching practice for several days, the most evident thing is that the squad as a whole couldn't hit the side of a barn with a cannon.

When the players were shooting goals from around the free-throw circle and following in their shots to play the rebound, a count was taken, and out of 200 shots, only forty-five resulted in baskets. And this is plumb rotten as anyone who knows basketball will tell. From the kind of shots which the players were practicing, and considering the fact that they were unguarded, the percentage should have been twice as good to be fair.

The attitude of the players is good as a rule, although there are one or two "hard nuts to crack." One player in particular seems to have the idea that he is the "hot stuff." But he's going to get mighty cold on the sidelines, while others with not so much native ability will be earning letters and sweaters.

Coach Lawrence won't speculate much on his team. He merely scratches his head and says a lot of nothing.

"Oh, I don't know how they're coming out. See for yourself how they're going.

"Do I think we'll have a winning team? Now that's a fine question to ask me. If I didn't think we'd have some sort of success do you think I'd be wasting my time talking to you?

"Now how do I know who is going to start the first game? How can I tell? Look for yourself. Those three birds look about on a par, don't they?

"Who's going to fill Abie's shoes? There aren't two men here whose feet, added together, would fill Abie's shoes. Don't you know I always had to special order for him?"

And that's the way "Shorty" would be interviewed. When a coach doesn't want to tell you anything, he can be 'steen times exasperating.

But at any rate, the Bearcats will be back the Monday after Christmas, and they'll have to work like fun to get into shape to win their way to a Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship.

NODAWAY COUNTY FARM NEWS

By BILLY TILSON.

Frank Antrim, northeast of Ravenwood, was transacting business in the city yesterday. Mr. Antrim says the farmers most all have their corn gathered over his way but says the yield wasn't very heavy. Frank has a fine bunch of hogs that he will send to the market in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis McCaul and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Green of the Harmony neighborhood were shopping in Maryville yesterday. The boys have their corn in the crib and report most all the farmers in their vicinity finished.

Emerson Hammond, east of Arkoe, has quite an acreage of corn to husk. He says he had out over 400 acres and has made good progress, considering the bad condition of the fields, his yield will not be nearly so much as last year. He has several hundred head of hogs that he is feeding.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Iddings, southwest of Skidmore, were shopping in Maryville yesterday. Mr. Iddings says most of the corn is in the crib over that way but the yield and quality not very good. He reports very little feeding among the farmers and corn slow in changing hands, the price around 65 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. McGrew and daughter were Maryville visitors yesterday. Mr. McGrew and family, after having lived in Denver, Colo., for the past two years, have come back to Missouri to make their home and will take possession of their farm, southwest of Barnard, March 1.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Yeaman, northeast of Graham, were shopping in Maryville yesterday. Mr. Yeaman is shipping out his hogs this week. He has a fine bunch of fall pigs to winter.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Maurer of the Sunnybrook neighborhood were Maryville visitors yesterday. Mr. Maurer says not much corn is changing hands down that way, very few cattle and hogs are being fed in that community and the corn that has changed hands has sold around 65 cents per bushel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Simmons, east of Orrsburg, were shopping in Maryville yesterday. Mr. Simmons reports most of the corn in the crib up that way. The yield was only fair. Not many cattle are being fed in his vicinity but quite a number of hogs are nearly ready for the market.

Mr. and Mrs. Marten Comer, northeast of Ravenwood, were visiting relatives in Maryville yesterday. Mr. Comer has a bunch of hogs that he will market this week. He says he has his corn gathered and most of it fed out.

Pierce Flemming and family, southeast of Graham, were Maryville visitors yesterday. Mr. Fleming says corn husking is about over down that way. The yield was not very large; while there were some good fields others made a poor yield. Mr. Flemming and his father generally feed around 300 head of cattle every year but they are not feeding any this winter.

Smith's Campaign on in Undisguised Form

Washington, Dec. 22.—The 1928 presidential campaign of Governor Al Smith of New York is being fostered with undisguised diligence by his friends here.

A temporary platform of water-power development, World Court adherence and modification of the Volstead act has been formulated by his supporters.

Although Smith himself has no part in the procedure, the United Press is informed his friends intend to make an issue out of his stand to keep the interests from gaining control of water resources in New York state. They believe the west's interests in the Boulder dam and the South's Muscle Shoals are sufficient to make a vital point in the campaign.

Smith himself has said he will not raise a hand to swing a delegate at the next Democratic national convention, but his friends are doing their best for him.

When he ran for reelection as governor of New York, Smith's platform approved the Senate resolution for adherence to the World Court. This, according to his friends here, has developed World Court suport for the New York governor.

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OUR COLLEGE

What The Students Out On The Hill Are Doing

School is out for the Christmas vacation. At noon today students left the building, not to return until January 4.

The College Dramatics Club, last night, gave two plays by Townsend Godsey, Maryville boy and former student of the College. These plays, according to those who saw them, were outstanding, and speak highly for Mr. Godsey's ability as a dramatist.

Both plays dealt with folk life in the Ozarks, and both were entered in a playwriting contest conducted last year by the Miami, Fla., Daily News. One of the plays, "Clavers 'll Git Ye," was given first prize in this contest, and the other, "The One Who Dreams" was given honorable mention.

The acting in the plays last night was good.

The much-mooted question of whether or not to change the College colors and the athletic emblem has at last been decided. The student council of the school yesterday voted unanimously against a petition submitted by H. Frank Lawrence and Paul Jones, coaches, to add black to the green and white of the College, and to change the nickname, "Bearcats" to "Wildcats."

The action of the council came after several formal hearings at which coaches, alumni, and students were witnesses.

One of the College literary societies, the Philomathean, is conducting a series of discussions on parliamentary rules. At each meeting a different phase of the subject will be discussed.

Many of the offices at the College are decorated for the Christmas season. In the hall on the second floor, near the entrance to the library, C. H. Withington, manager of the College greenhouse, has constructed a beautiful green arch, which is illuminated with muticolored lights.

President Joseph A. Cooper of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., College visited at the College today. President Cooper, who was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church here, was called to Maryville on business, and his visit was less than a day in length.

The College debating squad is now working daily in preparation for the coming season. As many as four or five intercollegiate debates will likely be participated in by the squad, which is coached by Miss Violet M. Eastman, instructor in public speaking and dramatics.

Miss Marlee Elrod of Elmo is spending a few days with Miss Coleta Bradley of Maryville.

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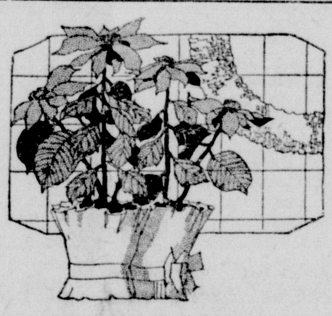

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